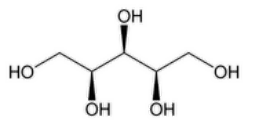


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Xylitol



C₅H₁₂O₅ 152.15
Xylitol.

DEFINITION

Xylitol contains NLT 98.5% and NMT 101.0% of C₅H₁₂O₅, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

IDENTIFICATION

Change to read:

- **A.** ▲ [SPECTROSCOPIC IDENTIFICATION TESTS \(197\)](#), [Infrared Spectroscopy: 197K](#) ▲ (CN 1-MAY-2020)
Sample: Undried
- **B.** The retention time of the xylitol peak of the *Sample solution* corresponds to that of the *Standard solution*, as obtained in the Assay.

ASSAY

- **PROCEDURE**
Mobile phase: Acetonitrile and water (20:80)
System suitability solution: 2.5 mg/mL of [USP Galactitol RS](#) and 25 mg/mL of [USP Xylitol RS](#) in *Mobile phase*
Standard solution: 25 mg/mL of [USP Xylitol RS](#) in *Mobile phase*
Sample solution: 25 mg/mL of Xylitol in *Mobile phase*
Chromatographic system
(See [Chromatography \(621\)](#), [System Suitability](#).)
Mode: LC
Detector: UV 192 nm
Column: 8.0-mm × 30-cm; 7-µm packing L34
Column temperature: 80°
Flow rate: 0.5 mL/min
Injection size: 25 µL
System suitability
Sample: *System suitability solution* and *Standard solution*
[NOTE—The relative retention times for xylitol and galactitol are about 1.0 and 1.10, respectively.]
Suitability requirements
Resolution: NLT 2.0 between galactitol and xylitol, *System suitability solution*
Relative standard deviation: NMT 2.0%, *Standard solution*
- Analysis**
Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*
Calculate the percentage of xylitol (C₅H₁₂O₅) in the portion of sample taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_U/r_S) \times (C_S/C_U) \times 100$$

r_U = peak response of xylitol from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak response of xylitol from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of [USP Xylitol RS](#) in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_u = concentration of the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: 98.5%–101.0% on the anhydrous basis

IMPURITIES

- **RESIDUE ON IGNITION (281):** NMT 0.5%

• REDUCING SUGARS

Sample: 500 mg

Analysis: Dissolve the *Sample* in 2.0 mL of water in a 10-mL conical flask. Into a similar flask, pipet 2 mL of a 0.5 mg/mL dextrose solution.

To each flask add 1 mL of alkaline cupric tartrate TS, heat to boiling, and cool.

Acceptance criteria: Any turbidity in the xylitol flask is NMT that in the dextrose flask, in which a reddish-brown precipitate forms (0.2% reducing sugars, as dextrose).

• LIMIT OF OTHER POLYOLS

Mobile phase: Acetonitrile and water (20:80)

System suitability solution: 0.5 mg/mL each of [USP L-Arabinitol RS](#), [USP Galactitol RS](#), [USP Mannitol RS](#), and [USP Sorbitol RS](#), and 100 mg/mL of [USP Xylitol RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

Standard solution: 0.5 mg/mL each of [USP L-Arabinitol RS](#), [USP Galactitol RS](#), [USP Mannitol RS](#), and [USP Sorbitol RS](#) in *Mobile phase*

Sample solution: 100 mg/mL of Xylitol in *Mobile phase*

Chromatographic system

(See [Chromatography \(621\), System Suitability](#).)

Mode: LC

Detector: UV 192 nm

Column: 8.0-mm × 30-cm; 7-μm packing L34

Column temperature: 80°

Flow rate: 0.5 mL/min

Injection size: 25 μL

System suitability

Samples: *System suitability solution* and *Standard solution*

[NOTE—The relative retention times for L-arabinitol, mannitol, xylitol, galactitol, and sorbitol are about 0.76, 0.81, 1.0, 1.12, and 1.22, respectively.]

Suitability requirements

Resolution: NLT 1.5 between all adjacent polyol peaks, *System suitability solution*

Relative standard deviation: NMT 5.0% for the galactitol peak, *Standard solution*

Analysis

Samples: *Standard solution* and *Sample solution*

Calculate the percentage of each polyol (L-arabinitol, galactitol, mannitol, or sorbitol) in the portion of sample taken:

$$\text{Result} = (r_u/r_s) \times (C_s/C_u) \times 100$$

r_u = peak response of the individual polyol from the *Sample solution*

r_s = peak response of the individual polyol from the *Standard solution*

C_s = concentration of the individual polyol in the *Standard solution* (mg/mL)

C_u = concentration of the *Sample solution* (mg/mL)

Acceptance criteria: The sum of the polyols is NMT 2.0%, calculated on the anhydrous basis.

SPECIFIC TESTS

- **WATER DETERMINATION, Method I (921):** NMT 0.5%

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **PACKAGING AND STORAGE:** Preserve in well-closed containers.

- [USP REFERENCE STANDARDS \(11\)](#)
 - [USP L-Arabinitol RS](#)
 - [USP Galactitol RS](#)
 - [USP Mannitol RS](#)
 - [USP Sorbitol RS](#)
 - [USP Xylitol RS](#)

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