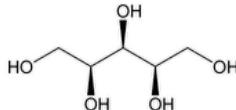


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## Xylitol



$C_5H_{12}O_5$  152.15  
Xylitol.

### DEFINITION

Xylitol contains NLT 98.5% and NMT 101.0% of  $C_5H_{12}O_5$ , 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 ( $C_5H_{12}O_5$ ) 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 D-Arabinitol RS](#)[USP Galactitol RS](#)[USP Mannitol RS](#)[USP Sorbitol RS](#)[USP Xylitol RS](#)

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