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Iodinated Povidone



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(Ph. Eur. monograph 1142)

Action and use

Antiseptic.

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DEFINITION

Complex of iodine and povidone.

Content

9.0 per cent to 12.0 per cent of available iodine (dried substance).

PRODUCTION

It is produced using povidone that complies with the monograph on [Povidone \(0685\)](#), except that the povidone used may contain not more than 2.0 per cent of formic acid and not more than 8.0 per cent of water.

CHARACTERS

Appearance

Yellowish-brown or reddish-brown, amorphous powder.

Solubility

Soluble in water and in ethanol (96 per cent), practically insoluble in acetone.

IDENTIFICATION

A. Infrared absorption spectrophotometry ([2.2.24](#)).

Comparison [iodinated povidone CRS](#).

B. Dissolve 10 mg in 10 mL of [water R](#) and add 1 mL of [starch solution R](#). An intense blue colour is produced.

TESTS

pH ([2.2.3](#))

1.5 to 5.0.

Dissolve 1.0 g in 10 mL of [carbon dioxide-free water R](#).

Iodide

Maximum 6.0 per cent (dried substance).

Dissolve 0.500 g in 100 mL of [water R](#). Add [sodium metabisulfite R](#) until the colour of the iodine has disappeared. Add 25.0 mL of [0.1 M silver nitrate](#), 10 mL of [nitric acid R](#) and 5 mL of [ferric ammonium sulfate solution R2](#). Titrate with [0.1 M ammonium thiocyanate](#). Carry out a blank titration.

1 mL of [0.1 M silver nitrate](#) is equivalent to 12.69 mg of total iodine. From the percentage of total iodine, calculated with reference to the dried substance, subtract the percentage of available iodine as determined in the assay to obtain the percentage of iodide.

Loss on drying ([2.2.32](#))

Maximum 8.0 per cent, determined on 0.500 g by drying in an oven at 105 °C for 3 h.

Sulfated ash ([2.4.14](#))

Maximum 0.1 per cent, determined on 1.0 g.

ASSAY

Transfer 1.000 g into a ground-glass-stoppered flask containing 150 mL of [water R](#) and stir for 1 h. Add 0.1 mL of [dilute acetic acid R](#) and titrate with [0.1 M sodium thiosulfate](#) using [starch solution R](#) as indicator.

1 mL of [0.1 M sodium thiosulfate](#) is equivalent to 12.69 mg of available iodine.

STORAGE

Protected from light.

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