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L-Aspartic Acid¹

C₄H₇NO₄: 133.10

L-Aspartic Acid, when dried, contains not less than 98.5 percent and not more than 101.0 percent of L-Aspartic Acid (C₄H₇NO₄).

Description

White crystals or crystalline powder.

Slightly soluble in water, practically insoluble in ethanol (99.5).

Dissolves in dilute hydrochloric acid and in 0.2mol/L sodium hydroxide.

Identification

Compare the infrared absorption spectrum of the sample with that of the standard by potassium bromide disc method.

Specifications

Item	Limit	Test
Specific rotation $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20}$	+24.8 to +25.8°	AJI TEST 1
Specific rotation [α] _D		[Dried sample, C=8, 6mol/L HCl]
State of solution	Clear and colorless	AJI TEST 2
(Transmittance)	Not less than 98.0%	[1.0g in 10mL of 1mol/L HCl, spectrophotometer, 430nm,
		10mm cell thickness]
Chloride (Cl)	Not more than 0.020%	AJI TEST 3
		[0.5g, A-1, ref: 0.28mL of 0.01mol/L HCl]
Ammonium (NH ₄)	Not more than 0.02%	AJI TEST 4
		[D-1]
Sulfate (SO ₄)	Not more than 0.020%	AJI TEST 5
		[0.85g, (1), ref: 0.35mL of 0.005mol/L H ₂ SO ₄]
Iron (Fe)	Not more than 10ppm	AJI TEST 6
		[1.0g, A-1, ref: 1.0mL of Iron Std. (0.01mg/mL)]
Heavy metals (Pb)	Not more than 10ppm	AJI TEST 7
		[1.0g, (4), ref: 1.0mL of Pb Std. (0.01mg/mL)]
Arsenic (As ₂ O ₃)	Not more than 1ppm	AJI TEST 8
		[2.0g, (2), ref: 2.0mL of As ₂ O ₃ Std.]
Related substances	1) Glutamic acid	[Amino acid analyzer method] ²
	Not more than 0.20%	
	Asparagine	
	Not more than 0.20%	
	Alanine	
	Not more than 0.20%	
	Any unspecified impurity	
	Not more than 0.10%	
	Total impurities	
	Not more than 1.00%	

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Specifications (cont'd) Item	Limit	Test
Related substances	Limit	[Liquid Chromatography] ⁵
(cont'd)	2) ① ³ Maleic acid	[Enquid Chromatography]
<u>(Com a)</u>	Not more than 0.05%	
	Malic acid	
	Not more than 0.20%	
	Fumaric acid	
	Not more than 0.10%	
	Any unspecified impurity	
	Not more than 0.05%	
	Total unspecified	
	impurities	
	Not more than 0.10%	
	② ⁴ Maleic acid	
	Not more than 0.10%	
	Malic acid	
	Not more than 0.20%	
	Fumaric acid	
	Not more than 0.10%	
	Any unspecified impurity	
	Not more than 0.10%	
	Total impurities	
	Not more than 0.30%	
Enantiomeric purity	Not more than 0.3% of	[Liquid Chromatography] ⁶
	D-Asp	
Loss on drying	Not more than 0.20%	AJI TEST 11
		[1g, at 105°C for 3 hours]
Residue on ignition	Not more than 0.10%	AJI TEST 13
(Sulfated)		[1g, at 550°C to 650°C for 3 hours]
Assay	98.5 to 101.0%	AJI TEST 17
		[Dried sample, 150mg, dissolve by warming, (2), 50mL of
		H ₂ O, 0.1mol/L NaOH 1mL=13.31mg
		C ₄ H ₇ NO ₄]
рН	2.5 to 3.5	AJI TEST 33
		[0.4g in 100mL of H ₂ O, dissolve by warming]

The test for Endotoxin when the material will be used for manufacturing parenteral products is as follows:

Item	Limit	Test
Endotoxin	Less than 6.0EU/g	AJI TEST 34
		[C=1, kinetic-turbidimetric technique]

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- 1 This product, in terms of actual quality, conforms to USP, EP, and JP.
- 2 Disregard limit:0.05%
- 3 USP
- 4 EP
- 5 Disregard limit:0.03%
- 6 The test conditions are as EP except the detection wavelength.

The detection: UV254nm