(4) Bromine or chlorine—Place 10 mL of the sample solution obtained in (1) in a glass-stoppered test tube, add 5 drops of potassium iodide TS and 1 mL of chloroform, and shake for 1 minute: the chloroform layer remains free from a purple color.
(5) Heavy metals—Evaporate 5 mL of Hydrochloric Acid on a water bath to dryness, and add 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to the residue to make 50 mL. Perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution as follows: to 3.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution add 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to make 50 mL (not more than 5 ppm).
(6) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 1.7 mL of Hydrochloric Acid according to Method 1, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 1 ppm).
(7) Mercury—Dilute 20 mL of Hydrochloric Acid with water to make exactly 100 mL, and use the solution as the sample solution. Perform the test with this sample solution as directed under the Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry (cold vapor type). Place the sample solution in a sample bottle of the atomic absorption spectrophotometer, add 10 mL of tin (II) chloride-sulfuric acid TS, connect the bottle immediately to the spectrophotometer, circulate air, and determine the absorbance \(A_T\) of the sample solution after the recorder reading has risen rapidly, and becomes constant at a wavelength of 253.7 nm. On the other hand, to 8 mL of Standard Mercury Solution add water to make exactly 100 mL, and determine the absorbance \(A_S\) of the sample solution obtained by the same procedure as used for the sample solution: \(A_T\) is smaller than \(A_S\) (not more than 0.04 ppm).

**Residue on ignition** Pipet 10 mL of Hydrochloric Acid, add 2 drops of sulfuric acid, evaporate to dryness, and ignite: not more than 1.0 mg of residue remains.

**Assay** Weigh accurately a glass-stoppered flask containing 20 mL of water, add about 3 mL of Hydrochloric Acid, and weigh accurately again. Dilute with 25 mL of water, and titrate with 1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS (indicator: 2 to 3 drops of methyl red TS).

Each mL of 1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS = 36.461 mg of HCl

**Containers and storage** Containers—Tight containers.

### Dilute Hydrochloric Acid

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Dilute Hydrochloric Acid contains not less than 9.5 w/v% and not more than 10.5 w/v% of hydrogen chloride (HCl: 36.46).

**Description** Dilute Hydrochloric Acid is a colorless liquid. It is odorless and has a strong acid taste. Specific gravity \(d_2^0\): about 1.05

**Identification** A solution of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid (1 in 30) changes blue litmus paper to red and responds to the Qualitative Tests for chloride.

**Purity** (1) Sulfate—To 3.0 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid add 5 mL of water and 5 drops of barium chloride TS, and allow to stand for 1 hour: no turbidity is produced.
(2) Sulfite—To 3.0 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid add 5 mL of water and 1 drop of iodine TS: the color of iodine TS does not disappear.
(3) Bromide or iodide—Place 10 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid in a glass-stoppered test tube, add 1 mL of chloroform and 1 drop of 0.002 mol/L potassium permanganate VS, and shake well: the chloroform layer remains colorless.
(4) Bromine or chlorine—Place 10 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid in a glass-stoppered test tube, add 5 drops of potassium iodide TS and 1 mL of chloroform, and shake for 1 minute: the chloroform layer remains free from a purple color.
(5) Heavy metals—Evaporate 9.5 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid on a water bath to dryness, add 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to make 50 mL, and perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Prepare the control solution as follows: to 3.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution add 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to make 50 mL (not more than 3 ppm).
(6) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 4.0 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid according to Method 1, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 0.5 ppm).
(7) Mercury—Dilute 80 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid with water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Perform the test with this solution according to the Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry (cold vapor type). Place the sample solution in a sample bottle of the atomic absorption spectrophotometer, add 10 mL of tin (II) chloride-sulfuric acid TS, connect the bottle immediately to the spectrophotometer, circulate air, and read the absorbance \(A_T\) of the sample solution after the recorder reading has risen rapidly and becomes constant at a wavelength of 253.7 nm. On the other hand, to 8 mL of Standard Mercury Solution add water to make exactly 100 mL, and read the absorbance \(A_S\) of the sample solution obtained by the same procedure as used for the sample solution: \(A_T\) is smaller than \(A_S\) (not more than 0.01 ppm).

**Residue on ignition** Pipet 10 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid, add 2 drops of sulfuric acid, evaporate to dryness, and ignite: the mass of the residue is not more than 1.0 mg.

**Assay** Measure exactly 10 mL of Dilute Hydrochloric Acid, and dilute with 20 mL of water. Titrate with 1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS (indicator: 2 to 3 drops of methyl red TS).

Each mL of 1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS = 36.461 mg of HCl

**Containers and storage** Containers—Tight containers.

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