metaphosphoric acid (1 in 50), and titrate with 0.05 mol/L iodine VS (indicator: 1 mL of starch TS).

Each mL of 0.05 mol/L iodine VS = 8.806 mg of $C_6H_8O_6$

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers. Storage—Light-resistant.

Ascorbic Acid Injection

Vitamin C Injection

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Ascorbic Acid Injection is an aqueous solution for injection. It contains not less than 95% and not more than 115% of the labeled amount of L-ascorbic acid ($C_6H_8O_6$: 176.12).

Method of preparation Prepare as directed under Injections, with the sodium salt of Ascorbic Acid.

Description Ascorbic Acid Injection occurs as a clear, colorless liquid.

Identification (1) Measure a volume of Ascorbic Acid Injection, equivalent to 0.5 g of Ascorbic Acid according to the labeled amount, and add water to make 25 mL. Proceed with 5 mL each of the solution as directed in the Identification (1) under Ascorbic Acid.

- (2) Measure a volume of Ascorbic Acid Injection, equivalent to 5 mg of Ascorbic Acid according to the labeled amount. Add a solution of metaphosphoric acid (1 in 50) to make 5 mL, and proceed with this solution as directed in the Identification (2) under Ascorbic Acid.
- (3) Ascorbic Acid Injection responds to the Qualitative Tests (1) for sodium salt. pH: 5.6 7.4

Assay Measure exactly a volume of Ascorbic Acid Injection, equivalent to about 0.1 g of L-ascorbic acid ($C_6H_8O_6$), previously diluted with metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS, if necessary, and add metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS to make exactly 200 mL. Measure exactly 2 mL of the solution, and shake with 8 mL of metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS and 2 mL of hydrogen peroxide TS. Titrate with 2,6-dichloroindophenol sodium TS for titration until a light red color persists for 5 seconds. Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

Each mL of 2, 6-dichlorophenol-indophenol sodium TS for titration $= A \text{ mg of } C_6H_8O_6$

A is decided by the following standardization of 2,6-dichloroindophenol sodium TS for titration.

2,6-Dichlorophenol-indophenol sodium TS for titration: *Preparation*—Dissolve 0.042 g of sodium hydrogen carbonate in 50 mL of water, add 0.05 g of 2,6-dichloroindophenol sodium dihydrate and water to make 200 mL, and filter. Prepare before use.

Standardization—Weigh accurately about 0.05 g of Ascorbic Acid Reference Standard, previously dried in a desiccator (silica gel) for 24 hours, and dissolve in metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS to make exactly 100 mL. Pipet 2 mL of

this solution, shake with 8 mL of metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS and 2 mL of hydrogen peroxide TS, and titrate with 2,6-dichloroindophenol sodium TS for titration until a light red color persists for 5 seconds. Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction. Calculate the quantity (A mg) of L-ascorbic acid ($C_6H_8O_6$) equivalent to 1 mL of this test solution.

Containers and storage Containers—Hermetic containers. Storage—Under nitrogen atmosphere.

Ascorbic Acid Powder

Vitamin C Powder

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Ascorbic Acid Powder contains not less than 95% and not more than 120% of the labeled amount of L-ascorbic acid ($C_6H_8O_6$: 176.12).

Method of preparation Prepare as directed under Powders, with Ascorbic Acid.

Identification (1) Weigh a portion of Ascorbic Acid Powder, equivalent to 0.5 g of Ascorbic Acid according to the labeled amount, add 30 mL of water, shake for 1 minute, and filter. Proceed with 5 mL each of the filtrate as directed in the Identification (1) under Ascorbic Acid.

(2) Weigh a portion of Ascorbic Acid Powder, equivalent to about 0.01 g of Ascorbic Acid according to the labeled amount, add 10 mL of a solution of metaphosphoric acid (1 in 50), shake for 1 minute, and filter. Proceed with 5 mL of the filtrate as directed in the Identification (2) under Ascorbic Acid.

Purity Rancidity—Ascorbic Acid Powder is free from any unpleasant or rancid odor and taste.

Assay Weigh accurately a portion of Ascorbic Acid Powder, equivalent to about 0.1 g of L-ascorbic acid ($C_6H_8O_6$) according to the labeled amount, extract with several successive portions of metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS, combine the extracts, and filter. Wash the residue with metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS. Combine the filtrates and washings, and add metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid to make exactly 200 mL. Pipet 2 mL of the solution, and shake with 8 mL of metaphosphoric acid-acetic acid TS and 2 mL of hydrogen peroxide TS. Titrate with 2,6-dichloroin-dophenol sodium TS for titration until a light red color persists for 5 seconds. Perform a blank determination, and make any necessary correction.

Each mL of 2,6-dichlorophenol-indophenol sodium TS for titration = A mg of $C_6H_8O_6$

A is decided by the following standardization of 2,6-dichloroindophenol sodium TS for titration.

2,6-Dichlorophenol-indophenol sodium TS for titration: *Preparation*—Dissolve 0.042 g of sodium hydrogen carbonate in 50 mL of water, add 0.05 g of 2,6-dichloroindophenol sodium dihydrate and water to make 200 mL, and filter. Prepare before use.