Tests for sodium salt and for chloride.

pH 4.5 - 7.0

Bacterial endotoxins Less than 0.50 EU/mL.

Viscosity Measure exactly 2 to 5 mL of Dextran 40 Injection, add isotonic sodium, chloride solution to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Perform the test with the sample solution and with isotonic sodium chloride solution as directed in Method 1 under the Viscosity Determination at 25°C: the intrinsic viscosity is between 0.16 and 0.19. Calculate the concentration of the sample solution (g/100 mL) as directed in the Assay.

Assay To exactly 30 mL of Dextran 40 Injection add water to make exactly 50 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Determine the optical rotation α_D with the sample solution as directed under the Optical Rotation Determination in a 100-mL cell at 20 \pm 1°C.

Amount (mg) of dextran 40 in 100 mL of Dextran 40 Injection $= \alpha_D \times 846.0$

Containers and storage Containers—Hermetic containers. Plastic containers for aqueous injections may be used.

Storage — Avoid exposure to undue fluctuations in temperature.

Dextran 70

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Dextran 70 is a product obtained by partial decomposition of polysaccharide, which is produced by fermentation of sucrose with *Leuconostoc mesenteroides* van Tieghem (*Lactobacillaceae*), and the average molecular mass is about 70,000.

When dried, it contains not less than 98.0% and not more than 102.0% of dextran 70.

Description Dextran 70 occurs as a white, amorphous powder. It is odorless and tasteless.

It is practically insoluble in ethanol (95) and in diethyl ether.

It dissolves gradually in water.

It is hygroscopic.

Identification To 1 mL of a solution of Dextran 70 (1 in 3000) add 2 mL of anthrone TS: a blue-green color develops and turns gradually dark blue-green. Then to this solution add 1 mL of diluted sulfuric acid (1 in 2) or 1 mL of acetic acid (100): the solution does not change in color.

pH Dissolve 3.0 g of Dextran 70 in 50 mL of water: the pH of this solution is between 5.0 and 7.0.

- **Purity** (1) Clarity and color of solution—Dissolve 1.0 g of Dextran 70 in 10 mL of water with warming: the solution is clear and colorless.
- (2) Chloride—With 2.0 g of Dextran 70, perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 1.0 mL of 0.01mol/L hydrochloric acid VS (not more than 0.018%).
- (3) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Dextran 70 according to Method 1, and perform the test. Prepare the con-

trol solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 20 ppm).

- (4) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 1.5 g of Dextran 70 according to Method 1, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 1.3 ppm).
- (5) Nitrogen—Weigh accurately about 2 g of Dextran 70, previously dried, perform the test as directed under the Nitrogen Determination, where 10 mL of sulfuric acid is used for decomposition, and 45 mL of a solution of sodium hydroxide (2 in 5) is added: the amount of nitrogen (N: 14.007) is not more than 0.010%.
- (6) Reducing substances—Weigh exactly 3.00 g of Dextran 70, previously dried, dissolve in water to make exactly 50 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Separately, weigh exactly 0.300 g of glucose, previously dried, dissolve in water to make exactly 500 mL, and use this solution as the control solution. Pipet 5 mL each of the sample solution and the control solution, and add water to make exactly 50 mL, respectively. Pipet 5 mL of these diluted solutions, add exactly 5 mL of alkaline copper TS, and heat for 15 minutes in a water bath. After cooling, add 1 mL of a solution of potassium iodide (1 in 40) and 1.5 mL of dilute sulfuric acid, and titrate with 0.005 mol/L sodium thiosulfate VS (indicator: 2 mL of starch TS).

The titrant consumed for the sample solution is not less than that for the control solution.

Loss on drying Not more than 5.0% (1 g, 105°C, 6 hours).

Residue on ignition Not more than 0.10% (1 g).

Viscosity (1) Dextran 70—Weigh accurately 0.2 to 0.5 g of Dextran 70, previously dried, dissolve in water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Perform the test with the sample solution and with water as directed in method 1 under the Viscosity Determination at 25°C: the intrinsic viscosity is between 0.21 and 0.26.

- (2) High-molecular fraction—Weigh accurately about 6 g of Dextran 70, previously dried, dissolve in water to make exactly 100 mL, and transfer to a flask. Add slowly enough methanol to get 7% to 10% of the precipitate (usually, 75 to 85 mL) at 25 \pm 1°C with stirring. Dissolve the precipitate in a water bath at 35°C with occasional shaking, and allow to stand for more than 15 hours at 25 \pm 1°C. Remove the supernatant liquid by decantation, and heat the precipitate of the lower layer on a water bath to dryness. Dry the residue, and determine the intrinsic viscosity of the dried residue as directed in (1): the value is not more than 0.35.
- (3) Low-molecular fraction—Weigh accurately about 6 g of Dextran 70, previously dried, dissolve in water to make exactly 100 mL, and transfer to a flask. Add slowly enough methanol to get 90% to 93% of the precipitate (usually 110 to 130 mL) at 25 \pm 1°C with stirring, centrifuge at 25°C, and evaporate the supernatant liquid to dryness on a water bath. Dry the residue, and determine the intrinsic viscosity of the dried residue as directed in (1): the value is not less than 0.10.

Antigenicity Dissolve 6.0 g of Dextran 70 in isotonic sodium chloride solution to make 100 mL, sterilize, and use this solution as the sample solution. Inject 1.0 mL of the sample solution on 3 occasions at intervals of 2 days into the peritoneal cavity of each of 4 well-nourished, healthy guinea pigs weighing 250 to 300 g. Separately, inject 0.10 mL of horse serum into the peritoneal cavity of each of 4 guinea

pigs of another group as a control. Inject 0.20 mL of the sample solution intravenously to each of 2 guinea pigs of the first group 14 days after the first intraperitoneal injection and into each of the remaining 2 guinea pigs 21 days after the injection, and inject 0.20 mL of horse serum intravenously in the same manner into each guinea pigs of the second group. Observe the signs of respiratory distress, collapse or death of the animals for 30 minutes after each intravenous injection and 24 hours later: the animals of the first group exhibit not signs.

All the animals of the second group exhibit symptoms of respiratory distress or collapse and not less than 3 animals are killed.

Pyrogen Dissolve 6.0 g of Dextran 70 in isotonic sodium chloride solution to make 100 mL, and perform the test: this solution meets the requirements of the Pyrogen Test.

Assay Weigh accurately about 3 g of Dextran 70, previously dried, dissolve in water to make exactly 50 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Determine the optical rotation α_D as directed under the Optical Rotation Determination in a 100-mL cell at 20 \pm 1°C.

Amount (mg) of dextran $70 \times \alpha_D = 253.8$

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5

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Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 is a sodium salt of sulfate ester obtained by sulfation of partial decomposition products of dextran, which is produced by fermentation of sucrose with *Leuconostoc mesenteroides* Van Tieghem (*Lactobacillaceae*).

Description Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 occurs as a white to light yellowish white powder. It is odorless, and has a saline taste.

It is freely soluble in water and practically insoluble in ethanol (95) and in diethyl ether.

It is hygroscopic.

- **Identification** (1) To 10 mL of a solution of toluidine blue (1 in 100,000) add 0.05 mL of a solution of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 (3 in 50) dropwise: a color of the solution changes from blue to red-purple.
- (2) To 1 mL of a solution of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 (1 in 1500) add 2 mL of anthrone TS: a blue-green color develops, which turns dark blue-green gradually. Then, add 1 mL of diluted sulfuric acid (1 in 2) or 1 mL of acetic acid (100) to this solution: the solution remains dark blue-green.
- (3) A solution of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 (1 in 100) responds to the Qualitative Tests (1) for sodium salt.

Optical rotation $[\alpha]_D^{20}$: +135.0 - +155.0° (calculated on the dried basis, 1.5 g, water, 25 mL, 100 mm).

pH Dissolve 1.0 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 in 20 mL of water: the pH of this solution is between 5.5 and 7.5.

- **Purity** (1) Clarity of solution—Dissolve 2.5 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 in 50 mL of water: the solution is clear. And, determine the absorbance of the solution at 420 nm as directed under the Ultraviolet-visible Spectrophotometry: not more than 0.090.
- (2) Chloride—Perform the test with 0.10 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5. Prepare the control solution with 0.30 mL of 0.01 mol/L hydrochloric acid (not more than 0.106%).
- (3) Sulfate—Dissolve 0.10 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 in 6 mL of water, add 0.6 mL of barium chloride TS, and heat in a water bath for 4 minutes. After cooling, add 1 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid and water to make 50 mL, allow to stand for 10 minutes, and observe: the turbidity of the solution is not more intense than that of the control solution. Prepare the control solution as follows: to 0.50 mL of 0.005 mol/L sulfuric acid add 6 mL of water, and proceed in the same manner (not more than 0.240%).
- (4) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 according to Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 20 ppm).
- (5) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 1.0 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5 according to Method 3, and perform the test using Apparatus B (not more than 2 ppm).

Sulfur content Weigh accurately about 1.0 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5, dissolve in 5 mL of water, add 1.5 mL of hydrochloric acid, and heat in a water bath for 1 hour. After cooling, add water to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. To exactly 10 mL of the sample solution add exactly 20 mL of 0.02 mol/L barium chloride VS, add 5 mL of methanol, and heat in a water bath for 30 minutes. After cooling, neutralize with sodium hydroxide TS, and add 70 mL of water, 10 mL of a solution of zinc disodium ethylenediamine tetraacetate tetrahydrate (1 in 20), 3 mL of ammonium chloride TS and 7 mL of strong ammonium water, and titrate with 0.02 mol/L disodium dihydrogen ethylenediamine tetraacetate VS until the color of the solution changes from red to light blue (indicator: 5 drops of eriochrome black T TS). Perform a blank determination. Amount of sulfur (S: 32.07), calculated on the dried basis, is between 3.0 and 6.0%.

Each mL of 0.02 mol/L barium chloride VS = 0.6413 mg of S

Loss on drying Not more than 10.0% (0.5 g, in vacuum, phosphorus (V) oxide, 60°C, 4 hours).

Intrinsic viscosity Weigh accurately about 1.5 g of Dextran Sulfate Sodium Sulfur 5, calculated on the dried basis, dissolve in a solution of sodium chloride (29 in 500) to make exactly 100 mL, and use this solution as the sample solution. Perform the test with the sample solution and a solution of sodium chloride (29 in 500) at 25 ± 0.02 °C as directed under the Viscosity Determination: the intrinsic viscosity is between 0.030 and 0.040.

Containers and storage Containers—Tight containers.