

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 pig 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  $\alpha_D$  as directed under the Optical Rotation Determination in a 100-mL cell at  $20 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ .

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

**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**  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ :  $+135.0 - +155.0^\circ$  (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%.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Each mL of 0.02 mol/L barium chloride VS} \\ = 0.6413 \text{ mg of S} \end{aligned}$$

**Loss on drying** Not more than 10.0% (0.5 g, in vacuum, phosphorus (V) oxide,  $60^\circ\text{C}$ , 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  $25 \pm 0.02^\circ\text{C}$  as directed under the Viscosity Determination: the intrinsic viscosity is between 0.030 and 0.040.

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