Melting point 69 – 72°C

**Purity** (1) Chloride—Heat 2.0 g of Butyl Parahydroxybenzoate with 50 mL of water, allow to stand in ice water for 1 hour with occasional shaking, then add water to make 100 mL, and filter. Perform the test with 25 mL of the filtrate. Prepare the control solution with 0.50 mL of 0.01 mol/L hydrochloric acid VS (not more than 0.035%).

- (2) Sulfate—Perform the test with 40 mL of the filtrate obtained in Purity (1). Prepare the control solution with 0.40 mL of 0.005 mol/L sulfuric acid VS (not more than 0.024%).
- (3) Heavy metals—Dissolve 1.0 g of Butyl Parahydroxybenzoate in 25 mL of acetone, 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 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution add 25 mL of acetone, 2 mL of dilute acetic acid, and water to make 50 mL (not more than 20 ppm).
- (4) Parahydroxybenzoic acid and salicylic acid—Dissolve 0.50 g of Butyl Parahydroxybenzoate in 30 mL of diethyl ether, shake with 20 mL of a solution of sodium hydrogen carbonate (1 in 100), wash the separated aqueous layer with two 20-mL portions of diethyl ether, shake the aqueous layer with 5 mL of dilute sulfuric acid and 30 mL of diethyl ether, and allow to stand. Shake gently the separated diethyl ether layer with 10 mL of water, remove the aqueous layer after allowing the mixture to stand, filter the diethyl ether, wash the vessel and the filter paper with a small amount of diethyl ether, evaporate the diethyl ether from the combined filtrate and washings on a water bath, and dry the residue in a desiccator (silica gel) to constant mass: the mass of the residue is not more than 5.0 mg. Warm the residue with 5 mL of water, filter, and to the filtrate add 2 to 3 drops of dilute iron (III) chloride TS: no purple color develops.
- (5) Readily carbonizable substances—Perform the test with 0.50 g of Butyl Parahydroxybenzoate. The solution has no more color than Matching Fluid D.

Loss on drying Not more than 0.5% (2 g, silica gel, 3 hours).

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

Assay Weigh accurately about 2 g of Butyl Parahydroxybenzoate, previously dried, add exactly 40 mL of 1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS, and boil for 30 minutes. Cool, and titrate the excess sodium hydroxide with 0.5 mol/L sulfuric acid VS until the solution shows the same color as that of phosphate buffer solution, pH 6.5, to which the same indicator has been added (indicator: 5 drops of bromothymol blue TS). Perform a blank determination.

Each mL of 1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS = 194.23 mg of  $C_{11}H_{14}O_3$ 

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers.

## Cacao Butter

Oleum Cacao

カカオ脂

Cacao Butter is the fat obtained from the seed of *Theobroma cacao* Linné (*Sterculiaceae*).

**Description** Cacao Butter occurs as a yellowish white, hard, brittle mass. It has a slight, chocolate-like odor, and has no odor of rancidity.

It is freely soluble in diethyl ether and in petroleum ether, soluble in boiling ethanol (99.5), and very slightly soluble in ethanol (95).

Congealing point of the fatty acids: 45 - 50°C

**Melting point** 31-35°C (Cram the sample into a capillary tube without melting the sample, then follow Method 2).

**Specific gravity**  $d_{20}^{40}$ : 0.895 – 0.904

Acid value Not more than 3.0.

**Saponification value** 188 – 195

**Iodine value** 35 – 43

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers.

## Calcium Hydroxide

## **Slaked Lime**

水酸化カルシウム

Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>: 74.09

Calcium Hydroxide contains not less than 90.0% of  $Ca(OH)_2$ .

**Description** Calcium Hydroxide occurs as a white powder. It has a slightly bitter taste.

It is slightly soluble in water, very slightly soluble in boiling water, and practically insoluble in ethanol (95) and in diethyl ether.

It dissolves in dilute acetic acid, in dilute hydrochloric acid and in dilute nitric acid.

It absorbs carbon dioxide from air.

**Identification** (1) Mix Calcium Hydroxide with 3 to 4 times its mass of water: the mixture is slushy and is alkaline.

(2) Dissolve 1 g of Calcium Hydroxide in 30 mL of dilute acetic acid, and boil. After cooling, neutralize with ammonia TS: the solution responds to the Qualitative tests (2) and (3) for calcium salt.

**Purity** (1) Acid-insoluble substances—To 5 g of Calcium Hydroxide add 100 mL of water, add hydrochloric acid dropwise with strring until the solution becomes acidic, and further add 1 mL of hydrochloric acid. Boil this solution for 5 minutes, cool, and filter through a tared glass filter (G4). Wash the residue with boiling water until the last washing ex-