no purple or blue color within 1 minute.

(7) Wax—Dissolve 10.0 g of White Shellac in 150 mL of a solution of sodium carbonate decahydrate (9 in 200) with shaking on a water bath, and continue the heating for 2 hours. After cooling, collect the floating wax by filtration, wash the wax and the filter paper with water, transfer to a beaker, and dry at 65°C until the water is almost evaporated. Transfer the wax together with the filter paper to an extraction thimble in a Soxhlet extractor. Dissolve the wax remaining in the beaker with a suitable quantity of chloroform by warming. Pour the solution into the thimble, and extract with chloroform for 2 hours. Evaporate the chloroform solution to dryness, and dry the residue at 105°C for 3 hours: the mass of the residue is not more than 20 mg.

Loss on drying Not more than 6.0%. Weigh accurately about 1 g of medium powder of White Shellac, and dry at 40°C for 4 hours, then for 15 hours in a desiccator (calcium chloride for drying).

**Total ash** Not more than 1.0% (1 g, proceed as directed in the total ash under the Crude Drugs Test).

Containers and storage Containers—Well-closed containers

Storage—In a cold place.

## **Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid**

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Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid, calculated on the incinerated basis, contains not less than 98.0% of silicon dioxide (SiO<sub>2</sub>: 60.08).

**Description** Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid occurs as a white to bluish white, light, fine power. It is odorless and tasteless, and smooth to the touch.

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

It dissolves in hydrofluoric acid, in hot potassium hydroxide TS and in hot sodium hydroxide TS, and does not dissolve in dilute hydrochloric acid.

**Identification** (1) Dissolve 0.1 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid in 20 mL of sodium hydroxide TS by boiling, and add 12 mL of ammonium chloride TS: a white, gelatinous precipitate is produced. The precipitate does not dissolve in dilute hydrochloric acid.

- (2) To the precipitate obtained in (1) add 10 mL of a solution of methylene blue trihydrate (1 in 10,000), and wash with water: the precipitate has a blue color.
- (3) Prepare a bead by fusing ammonium sodium hydrogenphosphate tetrahydrate on a platinum loop. Bring the hot, transparent bead into contact with Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid, and fuse again: an insoluble matter is perceptible in the bead. The resulting bead, upon cooling, becomes opaque and acquires a reticulated appearance.
- **Purity** (1) Chloride—Dissolve 0.5 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid in 20 mL of sodium hydroxide TS by boiling, cool, filter if necessary, and wash with 10 mL of water. Combine the filtrate and washings, add 18 mL of dilute nitric acid, shake, and add water to make 50 mL. Perform the test

using this solution as the test solution. To 0.15 mL of 0.01 mol/L hydrochloric acid VS add 20 mL of sodium hydroxide TS, 18 mL of dilute nitric acid and water to make 50 mL, and use this solution as the control solution (not more than 0.011%).

- (2) Heavy metals—Dissolve 0.5 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid in 20 mL of sodium hydroxide TS by boiling, cool, add 15 mL of acetic acid (31), shake, filter if necessary, wash with 10 mL of water, combine the filtrate and washings, and add water to make 50 mL. Perform the test using this solution as the test solution. Add acetic acid (31) to 20 mL of sodium hydroxide TS and 1 drop of phenolphthalein TS until the color of this solution disappears, add 2.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution, 2 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to make 50 mL, and use this solution as the control solution (not more than 40 ppm).
- (3) Aluminum—Dissolve 0.5 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid in 40 mL of sodium hydroxide TS by boiling, cool, add sodium hydroxide TS to make 50 mL, and filter. Measure 10 mL of the filtrate, add 17 mL of acetic acid (31), shake, add 2 mL of aluminon TS and water to make 50 mL, and allow to stand for 30 minutes: the color of this solution is not deeper than that of the following control solution.

Control solution: Dissolve 0.176 g of aluminum potassium sulfate 12-water in water, and add water to make 1000 mL. To 15.5 mL of this solution add 10 mL of sodium hydroxide TS, 17 mL of acetic acid (31), 2 mL of aluminon TS and water to make 50 mL.

- (4) Iron—To 0.040 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid add 10 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, and heat for 10 minutes in a water bath while shaking. After cooling, add 0.5 g of L-tartaric acid to dissolve by shaking. Prepare the test solution with this solution according to Method 2, and perform the test according to Method B. Prepare the control solution with 2.0 mL of Standard Iron Solution (not more than 500 ppm).
- (5) Calcium—Dissolve 1.0 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid in 30 mL of sodium hydroxide TS by boiling, cool, add 20 mL of water, 1 drop of phenolphthalein TS and dilute nitric acid until the color of this solution disappears, immediately add 5 mL of dilute acetic acid, shake, add water to make 100 mL, and obtain a clear liquid by centrifugation or filtration. To 25 mL of this liquid add 1 mL of oxalic acid TS and ethanol (95) to make 50 mL, immediately shake, and allow to stand for 10 minutes: the turbidity of this solution is not deeper than that of the following control solution.

Control solution: Dissolve 0.250 g of calcium carbonate, previously dried at 180°C for 4 hours, in 3 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, and add water to make 100 mL. To 4 mL of this solution add 5 mL of dilute acetic acid and water to make 100 mL. To 25 mL of this solution add 1 mL of oxalic acid TS and ethanol (95) to make 50 mL, and shake.

(6) Arsenic—Dissolve 0.40 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid in 10 mL of sodium hydroxide TS by boiling in a porcelain crucible, cool, add 5 mL of water and 5 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, shake, and perform the test using Apparatus B with this solution as the test solution (not more than 5 ppm).

Loss on drying Not more than 7.0% (1 g, 105°C, 4 hours).

**Loss on ignition** Not more than 12.0% (1 g, 850 – 900°C, constant mass).

Volume test Weigh 5.0 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid,

transfer gradually to a 200-mL measuring cylinder, and allow to stand: the volume is not less than 70 mL.

Assay Weigh accurately about 1 g of Light Anhydrous Silicic Acid, add 20 mL of hydrochloric acid, and evaporate to dryness on a sand bath. Moisten the residue with hydrochloric acid, evaporate to dryness, and heat between 110°C and 120°C for 2 hours. Cool, add 5 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, and heat. Allow to cool to room temperature, add 20 to 25 mL of hot water, filter rapidly, and wash the residue with warm water until the last washing becomes negative to the Qualitative Tests (2) for chloride. Transfer the residue together with the filter paper to a platinum crucible, ignite to ash, and continue the ignition for 30 minutes. Cool, weigh the crucible, and designate the mass as a(g). Moisten the residue in the crucible with water, add 6 mL of hydrofluoric acid and 3 drops of sulfuric acid, and evaporate to dryness. Heat strongly for 5 minutes, cool, weigh the crucible, and designate the mass as b (g).

Content (g) of silicon dioxide (SiO<sub>2</sub>) = a - bContainers and storage Containers—Tight containers.

# Silver Nitrate Ophthalmic Solution

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Silver Nitrate Ophthalmic Solution is an aqueous eye lotion containing not less than 0.95 w/v% and not more than 1.05 w/v% of silver nitrate (AgNO<sub>3</sub>: 169.87).

#### Method of preparation

Silver Nitrate	10 g
Sterile Purified Water	a sufficient quantity

To make 1000 mL

Prepare as directed under Ophthalmic Solution, with the above ingredients.

**Description** Silver Nitrate Ophthalmic Solution is a clear, colorless liquid.

**Identification** Silver Nitrate Ophthalmic Solution responds to the Qualitative Tests for silver salt and for nitrate.

Assay Measure accurately 20 mL of Silver Nitrate Ophthalmic Solution, add 30 mL of water and 2 mL of nitric acid, and titrate with 0.1 mol/L ammonium thiocyanate VS (indicator: 2 mL of ammonium iron (III) sulfate TS).

Each mL of 0.1 mol/L ammonium thiocyanate VS = 16.987 mg of AgNO<sub>3</sub>

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

### Silver Protein

プロテイン銀

Silver Protein is a compound of silver and proteins. It contains not less than 7.5% and not more than 8.5% of silver (Ag: 107.87).

**Description** Silver Protein occurs as a light yellow-brown to brown powder. It is odorless. It (1 g) dissolves slowly in 2 mL of water. It is practically insoluble in ethanol (95), in diethyl ether and in chloroform.

The pH of a solution of Silver Protein (1 in 10) is between 7.0 and 8.5.

It is slightly hygroscopic.

It is affected by light.

**Identification** (1) To 10 mL of a solution of Silver Protein (1 in 100) add 2 mL of dilute hydrochloric acid, shake frequently for 5 minutes, and filter. To the filtrate add 5 mL of a solution of sodium hydroxide (1 in 10), and add 2 mL of diluted copper (II) sulfate TS (2 in 25): a purple color develops.

- (2) To 5 mL of a solution of Silver Protein (1 in 100) add dropwise iron (III) chloride TS: the color of the solution fades and a precipitate is gradually formed.
- (3) Incinerate 0.2 g of Silver Protein by strong heating, dissolve the residue in 1 mL of nitric acid by warming, and add 10 mL of water: this solution responds to the Qualitative Tests (1) for silver salt.

**Purity** Silver salt—Dissolve 0.10 g of Silver Protein in 10 mL of water, and filter. To the filtrate add 1 mL of potassium chromate TS: no turbidity is produced.

Assay Transfer about 1 g of Silver Protein, accurately weighed, to a 100-mL decomposition flask, add 10 mL of sulfuric acid, cover the flask with a funnel, and boil for 5 minutes. Cool, add dropwise 3 mL of nitric acid with caution, and heat for 30 minutes without boiling. Cool, add i mL of nitric acid, boil, and, if necessary, repeat this operation until the solution becomes colorless. After cooling, transfer the solution to a 250-mL conical flask with 100 mL of water, and titrate with 0.1 mol/L ammonium thiocyanate VS (indicator: 3 mL of ammonium iron (III) sulfate TS).

Each mL of 0.1 mol/L ammonium thiocyanate VS = 10.787 mg of Ag

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

### **Silver Protein Solution**

プロテイン銀液

Silver Protein Solution contains not less than 0.22 w/v% and not more than 0.26 w/v% of silver (Ag: 107.87).