

White Petrolatum, according to Method 3, and perform the test using Apparatus B. Add 10 mL of a solution of magnesium nitrate hexahydrate in ethanol (95) (1 in 50), then add 1.5 mL of hydrogen peroxide (30), and fire to burn (not more than 2 ppm).

(5) Sulfur compound—To 4.0 g of White Petrolatum add 2 mL of ethanol (99.5) and 2 drops of sodium hydroxide solution (1 in 5) saturated with lead (II) oxide, warm the mixture for 10 minutes at about 70°C with frequent shaking, and allow to cool: no dark color is produced.

(6) Organic acids—To 100 mL of dilute ethanol add 1 drop of phenolphthalein TS, and titrate with 0.01 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS, until the color of the solution changes to light red. Mix this solution with 20.0 g of White Petrolatum, and boil for 10 minutes under a reflux condenser. Add 2 to 3 drops of phenolphthalein TS to the mixture and 0.40 mL of 0.1 mol/L sodium hydroxide VS with vigorous shaking: the color of the solution remains red.

(7) Fats and fatty oils or resins—To 10.0 g of White Petrolatum add 50 mL of sodium hydroxide solution (1 in 5), and boil for 30 minutes under a reflux condenser. Cool the mixture, separate the aqueous layer, and filter, if necessary. To the aqueous layer add 200 mL of dilute sulfuric acid: neither oily matter nor precipitate is produced.

**Residue on ignition** Not more than 0.05% (2 g).

**Containers and storage** Containers—Tight containers.

## Yellow Petrolatum

黄色ワセリン

Yellow Petrolatum is a purified mixture of hydrocarbons obtained from petroleum.

**Description** Yellow Petrolatum occurs as a yellow, homogeneous, unctuous mass. It is odorless and tasteless.

It is slightly soluble in ethanol (95), and practically insoluble in water.

It dissolves in diethyl ether, in petroleum benzene and in turpentine oil, making a clear liquid or producing slight insoluble substances.

It becomes a yellow, clear liquid with slight fluorescence when warmed.

**Melting point** 38 – 60°C (Method 3).

**Purity** (1) Color—Melt Yellow Petrolatum by warming, and pour 5 mL of it into a test tube, and keep the content in a liquid condition: the liquid has no more color than the following control solution, when observed transversely from side against a white background.

Control solution: To 3.8 mL of Ferric Chloride Stock CS add 1.2 mL of Cobaltous Chloride Stock CS.

(2) Acid or alkali—To 35.0 g of Yellow Petrolatum add 100 mL of hot water, shake vigorously for 5 minutes, and then draw off the aqueous layer. Treat the Yellow Petrolatum layer in the same manner using two 50-mL portions of hot water. To the combined aqueous layer add 1 drop of phenolphthalein TS, and boil: no red color is produced. Further add 2 drops of methyl orange TS: no red color is produced.

(3) Heavy metals—Proceed with 1.0 g of Yellow Petrolatum according to Method 2, and perform the test. Prepare the control solution with 3.0 mL of Standard Lead Solution (not more than 30 ppm).

(4) Arsenic—Prepare the test solution with 1.0 g of Yellow Petrolatum, according to Method 3, and perform the test using Apparatus B. Add 10 mL of a solution of magnesium nitrate hexahydrate in ethanol (95) (1 in 50), then add 1.5 mL of hydrogen peroxide (30), and fire to burn (not more than 2 ppm).

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## Petroleum Benzin

石油ベンジン

Petroleum Benzin is a mixture of low-boiling point hydrocarbons from petroleum.

**Description** Petroleum Benzin occurs as a colorless, clear, volatile liquid. It shows no fluorescence. It has a characteristic odor.

It is miscible with ethanol (99.5) and with diethyl ether.

It is practically insoluble in water.

It is very flammable.

Specific gravity  $d_{20}^{20}$ : 0.65 – 0.71

**Purity** (1) Acid—Shake vigorously 10 mL of Petroleum Benzin with 5 mL of water for 2 minutes, and allow to stand: the separated aqueous layer does not change moistened blue litmus paper to red.

(2) Sulfur compounds and reducing substances—To 10 mL of Petroleum Benzin add 2.5 mL of ammonia-ethanol TS and 2 to 3 drops of silver nitrate TS, and warm the mixture at about 50°C for 5 minutes, protected from light: no brown color develops.

(3) Fatty oil and sulfur compounds—Drop and evaporate 10 mL of Petroleum Benzin in small portions on odorless filter paper spread on a previously warmed glass plate: no spot or no foreign odor is perceptible.