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#### **COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 96/77/EC**

#### of 2 December 1996

laying down specific purity criteria on food additives other than colours and sweeteners

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 89/107/EEC of 21 December 1988 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning food additives authorized for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption (1), as amended by European Parliament and Council Directive 94/34/EC (2), and in particular Article 3 (3) (a) thereof,

After consulting the Scientific Committee for Food,

Whereas it is necessary to establish purity criteria for all additives other than colours and sweeteners mentioned in European Parliament and Council Directive 95/2/EC of 20 February 1995 on food additives other than colours and sweeteners (3);

Whereas it is necessary to replace the purity criteria set out in Council Directive 65/66/EEC of 26 January 1965 laying down specific criteria of purity for preservatives authorized for use in foodstuffs intended for human consumption (4), as last amended by Directive 86/604/EEC (5);

Whereas it is necessary to replace the purity criteria set out in Council Directive 78/664/EEC of 25 July 1978 laying down specific criteria of purity for antioxidants which may be used in foodstuffs intended for human consumption (6), as amended by Directive 82/712/EEC (7);

Whereas Directives 65/66/EEC and 78/664/EEC should be repealed accordingly;

Whereas it is necessary to take into acount the specifications and analytical techniques for additives as set out in the Codex Alimentarius as drafted by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (Jecfa);

Whereas food additives, if prepared by production methods or starting materials significantly different from those included in the evaluation of the Scientific Committee for Food, or if different from those mentioned in this Directive, should be submitted for evaluation by the Scientific Committee for Food for the purposes of a full evaluation with emphasis on the purity criteria;

Whereas, the measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee for Foodstuffs,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

## Article 1

The purity criteria referred to in Article 3 (3) (a) of Directive 89/107/ EEC for food additives other than colours and sweeteners, as mentioned in Directive 95/2/EC, are set out in the Annex hereto.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 40, 11. 2. 1989, p. 27. (2) OJ No L 237, 10. 9. 1994, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 61, 18. 3. 1995, p. 1.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No 22, 9. 2. 1965, p. 373. (5) OJ No L 352, 13. 12. 1986, p. 45.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No L 223, 14. 8. 1978, p. 30.

<sup>(7)</sup> OJ No L 297, 23. 10. 1982, p. 31.

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#### Article 2

The purity criteria referred to in Article 1 replace the purity criteria set out in Directives 65/66/EEC, 78/663/EEC and 78/664/EEC.

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#### Article 3

1. Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive before 1 July 1997. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

When Member States adopt these provisions, these shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the time of their official publication. The procedure for such reference shall be adopted by Member States.

2. Products put on the market or labelled before 1 July 1997 which do not comply with this Directive may be marketed until stocks are exhausted.

## Article 4

This Directive shall enter into force on the 20th day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

#### Article 5

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

#### ANNEX

## E 200 SORBIC ACID

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Chemical name Sorbic acid

Trans, trans-2,4-hexadienoic acid

Einecs203-768-7Chemical formula $C_6H_8O_2$ Molecular weight112,12

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Colourless needles or white free flowing powder, having a slight characteristic odour and showing no change in

colour after heating for 90 minutes at 105 °C

Identification

A. Melting range Between 133 °C and 135 °C, after vacuum drying for

four hours in a sulphuric acid desiccator

B. Spectrometry An isopropanol solution (1 in 4 000 000) shows

absorbance maximum at  $254 \pm 2$  nm

C. Positive test for double bonds

D. Sublimation point

80 °C

Purity

Water content Not more than 0,5 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash Not more than 0.2 %

Aldehydes Not more than 0,1 % (as formaldehyde)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 202 POTASSIUM SORBATE

#### Definition

Chemical name Potassium sorbate

Potassium (E,E)-2,4-hexadienoate

Potassium salt of trans, trans 2,4-hexadienoic acid

Molecular weight 150,22

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the dried basis

Description White crystalline powder showing no change in colour

after heating for 90 minutes at 105 °C

#### Identification

A. Melting range of sorbic acid isolated by acidification and not recrystallized 133 °C to 135 °C after vacuum drying in a sulphuric acid desiccator

B. Positive tests for potassium and for double bonds

## Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 1,0 % (105 °C, 3h)

Acidity or alkalinity Not more than about 1,0 % (as sorbic acid or  $K_2CO_3$ ) Aldehydes Not more than 0,1 %, calculated as formaldehyde

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

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Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 203 CALCIUM SORBATE

#### Definition

Chemical name Calcium sorbate

Calcium salts of trans, trans-2,4-hexadienoic acid

231-321-6 **Einecs** Chemical formula C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Ca

Molecular weight 262,32

Assay Content not less than 98 % on the dried basis

Description Fine white crystalline powder not showing any change

in colour after heating at 105 °C for 90 minutes

#### Identification

A. Melting range of sorbic acid isolated by acidification and not recrystallized 133 °C to 135 °C after vacuum drying in a sulphuric acid desiccator

B. Positive tests for calcium and for double bonds

#### Purity

Not more than 2,0 %, determined by vacuum drying for Loss on drying

four hours in a sulphuric acid desiccator

Aldehydes Not more than 0,1 % (as formaldehyde)

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 210 BENZOIC ACID

#### Definition

Chemical name Benzoic acid

> Benzenecarboxylic acid Phenylcarboxylic acid

**Einecs** 200-618-2 Chemical formula  $C_7H_6O_2$ 

122.12 Molecular weight

Content not less than 99,5 % on the anhydrous basis Assav

Description White crystalline powder

## Identification

A. Melting range

121,5 °C to 123,5 °C

B. Positive sublimation test and test for benzoate

#### Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % after drying for three hours over

sulphuric acid

pН About 4 (solution in water)

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,05 %

Not more than 0,07 % expressed as chloride corre-Chlorinated organic compounds

sponding to 0,3 % expressed as monochlorobenzoic acid

Add 1,5 ml of sulphuric acid to 100 ml of water, heat to Readily oxidizable substances boiling point and add 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> in drops, until the

pink colour persists for 30 seconds. Dissolve 1 g of the

solution, and titrate with 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> to a pink colour that persists for 15 seconds. Not more than 0,5 ml should be required

A cold solution of 0,5 g of benzoic acid in 5 ml of 94,5 to 95,5 % sulphuric acid must not show a stronger colouring than that of a reference liquid containing 0,2 ml of cobalt chloride TSC (1), 0,3 ml of ferric chloride TSC (2), 0,1 ml of copper sulphate TSC (3) and 4,4 ml of

sample, weighed to the nearest mg, in the heated

Polycyclic acids

On fractional acidification of a neutralized solution of benzoic acid, the first precipitate must not have a different melting point from that of the benzoic acid

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 211 SODIUM BENZOATE

Readily carbonizable substances

#### **Definition**

Chemical name

Sodium salt of benzenecarboxylic acid Sodium salt of phenylcarboxylic acid

**Einecs** 208-534-8 Chemical formula C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na

Molecular weight 144,11

Assay Not less than 99 % of C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na, after drying at 105 °C for four hours

Sodium benzoate

Description A white, almost odourless, crystalline powder or granules

## Identification

A. Solubility

B. Melting range for benzoic acid

C. Positive tests for benzoate and for sodium

### Purity

Loss on drying

Readily oxidizable substances

Polycyclic acids

Chlorinated organic compounds

Degree of acidity or alkalinity

Arsenic Lead Mercury Heavy metals (as Pb) Melting range of benzoic acid isolated by acidification and not recrystallized 121,5 °C to 123,5 °C, after drying

Freely soluble in water, sparingly soluble in ethanol

in a sulphuric acid desiccator

Not more than 1,5 % after drying at 105 °C for four

Add 1,5 ml of sulphuric acid to 100 ml of water, heat to boiling point and add 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> in drops, until the pink colour persists for 30 seconds. Dissolve 1 g of the sample, weighed to the nearest mg, in the heated solution, and titrate with 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> to a pink colour that persists for 15 seconds. Not more than 0,5 ml should be required

On fractional acidification of a (neutralized) solution of sodium benzoate, the first precipitate must not have a different melting range from that of benzoic acid

Not more than 0,06 % expressed as chloride, corresponding to 0,25 % expressed as monochlorobenzoic

Neutralization of 1 g of sodium benzoate, in the presence of phenolphthalein, must not require more than 0,25 ml of 0,1 N NaOH or 0,1 N HCl

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 212 POTASSIUM BENZOATE

Definition

Chemical name

Potassium benzoate

Potassium salt of benzenecarboxylic acid Potassium salt of phenylcarboxylic acid

Einecs 209-481-3

Chemical formula  $C_7H_5KO_2\cdot 3H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 214,27

Content not less than 99 % C7H5O2K after drying at Assay

105 °C to constant weight White crystalline powder

Description

Identification

A. Melting range of benzoic acid isolated by acidification and not recrystallized 121,5 °C to 123,5 °C, after vacuum drying in a sulphuric acid desiccator

B. Positive tests for benzoate and for potassium

Purity

Loss on drying

Chlorinated organic compounds

Readily oxidizable substances

Readily carbonizable substances

Polycyclic acids

Degree of acidity or alkalinity

Lead Mercury Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 26,5 %, determined by drying at 105 °C

Not more than 0,06 % expressed as chloride, corresponding to 0,25 % expressed as monochlorobenzoic

Add 1,5 ml of sulphuric acid to 100 ml of water, heat to boiling point and add 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> in drops, until the pink colour persists for 30 seconds. Dissolve 1 g of the sample, weighed to the nearest mg, in the heated solution, and titrate with 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> to a pink colour that persists for 15 seconds. Not more than 0,5 ml should be required

A cold solution of 0,5 g of benzoic acid in 5 ml 94,5 to 95,5 % sulphuric acid must not show a stronger colouring than that of a reference liquid containing 0,2 ml of cobalt chloride TSC, 0,3 ml of ferric chloride TSC, 0,1 ml of copper sulphate TSC and 4,4 ml of water

On fractional acidification of a (neutralized) solution of potassium benzoate, the first precipitate must not have a different melting range from that of benzoic acid

Neutralization of 1 g of potassium benzoate, in the presence of phenolphthalein, must not require more than 0,25 ml of 0,1 N NaOH or 0,1 N HCl

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 213 CALCIUM BENZOATE

Synonyms Definition

Arsenic

Chemical name

Monocalcium benzoate

Calcium benzoate Calcium dibenzoate

218-235-4 **Einecs** 

Chemical formula Anhydrous: C14H10O4Ca

> Monohydrate: C14H10O4Ca·H2O Trihydrate: C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>4</sub>CA·3H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight Anhydrous: 282,31 Monohydrate: 300,32

Trihydrate: 336,36

Assay Content not less than 99 % after drying at 105 °C

Description White or colourless crystals, or white powder

#### Identification

A. Melting range of benzoic acid isolated by acidification and not recrystallized 121,5 °C to 123,5 °C, after vacuum drying in a sulphuric acid desiccator

B. Positive tests for benzoate and for calcium

Purity

Water insoluble matter

Loss on drying Not more than 17,5 % determined by drying at 105 °C

to constant weight

Chlorinated organic compounds Not more than 0,06 % expressed as chloride, corre-

sponding to 0,25 % expressed as monochlorobenzoic

Readily oxidizable substances Add 1,5 ml of sulphuric acid to 100 ml of water, heat to

Not more than 0,3 %

boiling point and add 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> in drops, until the pink colour persists for 30 seconds. Dissolve 1 g of the sample, weighed to the nearest mg, in the heated solution, and titrate with 0,1 N KMnO<sub>4</sub> to a pink colour that persists for 15 seconds. Not more than 0,5

ml should be required

Readily carbonizable substances

Cold solution of 0,5 g of benzoic acid in 5 ml of 94,5 to 95,5 % sulphuric acid must not show a stronger

colouring than that of a reference liquid containing 0,2 ml of cobalt chloride TSC, 0,3 ml of ferric chloride TSC, 0,1 ml of copper sulphate TSC and 4,4 ml of water

Polycyclic acids

On fractional acidification of a (neutralized) solution of calcium benzoate, the first precipitate must not be a

different melting range from that of benzoic acid

Degree of acidity or alkalinity

Neutralization of 1 g of calcium benzoate, in the

presence of phenolphthalein, must not require more than 0,25 ml of 0,1 N NaOH or 0,1 N HCl

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

### E 214 ETHYL p-HYDROXYBENZOATE

Synonyms Ethylparaben
Ethyl *p*-oxybenzoate

Definition

Chemical name Ethyl-p-hydroxybenzoate

Ethyl ester of p-hydroxybenzoic acid

Einecs204-399-4Chemical formula $C_9H_{10}O_3$ 

Molecular weight 166,8

Assay Content not less than 99,5 % after drying for two hours

at 80 °C

Description Almost odourless, small, colourless crystals or a white,

crystalline powder

Identification

A. Melting range 115 °C to 118 °C

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B. Positive test for p-hydroxybenzoate

Melting range of *p*-hydroxybenzoic acid isolated by acidification and not recrystallized: 213 °C to 217 °C, after vacuum drying in a sulphuric acid desiccator

C. Positive test for alcohol

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % after drying for two hours at 80 °C

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,05 %

p-Hydroxybenzoic acid and salicylic

acid

Not more than 0,35 % expressed as p-hydroxybenzoic

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 215 SODIUM ETHYL p-HYDROXYBENZOATE

Definition

Chemical name Sodium ethyl p-hydroxybenzoate

Sodium compound of the ethyl ester of p-hydroxy-

benzoic acid

**Einecs** 252-487-6

Chemical formula  $C_9H_9O_3Na$ Molecular weight 188,8

Assay Content of ethylester of p-hydroxybenzoic acid not less

than 83 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White, crystalline hygroscopic powder

Identification

A. Melting range 115 °C to 118 °C, after vacuum drying in a sulphuric

acid desiccator

B. Positive test for *p*-hydroxybenzoate Melting range of *p*-hydroxybenzoic acid derived from

the sample is 213 °C to 217 °C

C. Positive test for sodium

D. pH of a 0,1 % aqueous solution must

be between 9,9 and 10,3

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 5 %, determined by vacuum drying in a

sulphuric acid desiccator

Sulphated ash 37 to 39 %

p-Hydroxybenzoic acid and salicylic

acid

Not more than 0.35 % expressed as p-hydroxybenzoic

acid

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

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## E 218 METHYL p-HYDROXYBENZOATE

Synonyms Methylparaben

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Methyl-p-oxybenzoate

243-171-5

Definition

Chemical name Methyl p-hydroxybenzoate

Methyl ester of p-hydroxybenzoic acid

Einecs

Chemical formula C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

Molecular weight

A. Melting range

Assay

Description

Identification

B. Positive test for p-hydroxybenzoate

Purity

Loss on drying Sulphated ash

p-Hydroxybenzoic acid and salicylic

acid

Arsenic Lead Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb)

152,15

Content not less than 99 % after drying for two hours at

Almost odourless, small colourless crystals or white

crystalline powder

125 °C to 128 °C

Melting range of p-hydroxybenzoic acid derived from the sample is 213 °C to 217 °C after drying for two

hours at 80 °C

Not more than 0,5 %, after drying for two hours at 80 °C

Not more than 0,05 %

Not more than 0,35 % expressed as p-hydroxybenzoic

acid

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 219 SODIUM METHYL p-HYDROXYBENZOATE

#### Definition

Chemical name

Chemical formula Molecular weight

Assay Description Sodium methyl p-hydroxybenzoate

Sodium compound of the methylester of p-hydroxy-

benzoic acid

 $C_8H_7O_3Na$ 

174,15

Content not less than 99,5 % on the anhydrous basis

White, hygroscopic powder

#### Identification

A. The white precipitate formed by acidifying with hydrochloric acid a 10 % (w/ v) aqueous solution of the sodium derivative of methyl p-hydroxybenzoate (using litmus paper as indicator) shall, when washed with water and dried at 80 °C for two hours, have a melting range of 125 °C to 128 °C

B. Positive test for sodium

C. pH of a 0,1 % solution in carbon dioxide free water, not less than 9,7 and not more than 10,3

Purity

Water content Sulphated ash

p-Hydroxybenzoic acid and salicylic

acid

Arsenic Lead Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 5 % (Karl Fischer method)

40 % to 44,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Not more than 0,35 % expressed as p-hydroxybenzoic

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 220 SULPHUR DIOXIDE

## **Definition**

Chemical name

Sulphur dioxide

Sulphurous acid anhydride

Einecs231-195-2Chemical formulaSO2Molecular weight64,07

Assay Content not less than 99 %

Description Colourless, non-flammable gas with strong pungent

suffocating odour

Identification

A. Positive test for sulphurous substances

Purity

Water content

Not more than 0,05 %

Non-volatile residue

Sulphur trioxide

Selenium

Not more than 0,01 %

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Other gases not normally present in the

air

No trace

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 221 SODIUM SULPHITE

Definition

Chemical name Sodium sulphite (anhydrous or heptahydrate)

**Einecs** 231-821-4

Chemical formula Anhydrous: Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>

Heptahydrate: Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>7H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight Anhydrous: 126,04 Heptahydrate: 252,16

Assay Anhydrous: Not less than 95 % of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> and not

less than 48 % of SO<sub>2</sub>

Heptahydrate: Not less than 48 % of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> and not

less than 24 % of SO<sub>2</sub>

Description White crystalline powder or colourless crystals

Identification

A. Positive tests for sulphite and for

B. pH of a 10 % solution (anhydrous) or a 20 % solution (heptahydrate) between 8,5 and 11,5

Purity

Thiosulphate Not more than 0.1% based on the  $SO_2$  content Iron Not more than 50 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content Selenium Not more than 10 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content

Arsenic

Lead

Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 222 SODIUM BISULPHITE

**Definition** 

Chemical name Sodium bisulphite

Sodium hydrogen sulphite

**Einecs** 231-921-4

Chemical formula NaHSO<sub>3</sub> in aqueous solution

Molecular weight 104,06

Assay Content not less than 32 % w/w NaHSO<sub>3</sub>
Description A clear, colourless to yellow solution

Identification

A. Positive tests for sulphite and for

sodium

B. pH of a 10 % aqueous solution

between 2,5 and 5,5

Purity

Iron Not more than 50 mg/kg of Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> based on the SO<sub>2</sub>

content

Selenium Not more than 10 mg/kg based on the SO<sub>2</sub> content

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 223 SODIUM METABISULPHITE

Synonyms Pyrosulphite

Sodium pyrosulphite

Definition

Chemical name Sodium disulphite

Disodium pentaoxodisulphate

Molecular weight 190,11

Assay Content not less than 95 % Na<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> and not less than

64 % of SO<sub>2</sub>

Description White crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for sulphite and for

sodium

B. pH of a 10 % aqueous solution

between 4,0 and 5,5

Purity

Thiosulphate Not more than 0,1 % based on the  $SO_2$  content Iron Not more than 50 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content Selenium Not more than 10 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 224 POTASSIUM METABISULPHITE

Synonyms Potassium pyrosulphite

Definition

Chemical name Potassium disulphite

Potassium pentaoxo disulphate

**Einecs** 240-795-3

Chemical formula  $K_2S_2O_5$ Molecular weight 222,33

Assay Content not less than 90 % of  $K_2S_2O_5$  and not less than

51,8 % of SO<sub>2</sub>, the remainder being composed almost

entirely of potassium sulphate

Description Colourless crystals or white crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for sulphite and for potassium

Purity

Thiosulphate Not more than 0,1 % based on the SO2 content Iron Not more than 50 mg/kg based on the SO2 content Not more than 10 mg/kg based on the SO2 content Selenium

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 226 CALCIUM SULPHITE

Definition

Chemical name Calcium sulphite **Einecs** 218-235-4

Chemical formula CaSO<sub>3</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O Molecular weight 156,17

Content not less than 95 % of CaSO<sub>3</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O and not less Assay

than 39 % of SO<sub>2</sub>

Description White crystals or white crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for sulphite and for

calcium

Purity

Iron Selenium

Not more than 3 mg/kg Arsenic Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 227 CALCIUM BISULPHITE

Definition

Chemical name Calcium bisulphite

Calcium hydrogen sulphite

237-423-7 **Einecs** Chemical formula Ca(HSO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> Molecular weight 202,22

6 to 8 % (w/v) of sulphur dioxide and 2,5 to 3,5 % (w/v) Assay

of calcium dioxide corresponding to 10 to 14 % (w/v) of

Not more than 50 mg/kg based on the SO2 content

Not more than 10 mg/kg based on the SO2 content

calcium bisulphite [Ca(HSO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

Description Clear greenish-yellow aqueous solution having a distinct

odour of sulphur dioxide

Identification

A. Positive tests for sulphite and for calcium

Purity

Iron Not more than 50 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content Selenium Not more than 10 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 228 POTASSIUM BISULPHITE

Definition

Chemical name Potassium bisulphite

Potassium hydrogen sulphite

**Einecs** 231-870-1

Chemical formula KHSO<sub>3</sub> in aqueous solution

Molecular weight 120,17

Assay Content not less than 280 g KHSO<sub>3</sub> per litre (or 150 g

SO<sub>2</sub> per litre)

Description Clear colourless aqueous solution

Identification

A. Positive tests for sulphite and for

potassium

Purity

Iron Not more than 50 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content Selenium Not more than 10 mg/kg based on the  $SO_2$  content

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 230 BIPHENYL

Synonyms Diphenyl

Definition

Chemical name 1,1'-biphenyl

Phenylbenzene
202-163-5
Chemical formula
C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>

Assay Content not less than 99,8 %

Description White or pale yellow to amber crystalline solid having a

characteristic odour

Identification

A. Melting range 68,5 °C to 70,5 °C

B. Distillation range 
It distils completely within a 2,5 °C range between

252,5 °C and 257,5 °C

Purity

Benzene Not more than 10 mg/kg

Aromatic amines

Not more than 2 mg/kg (as aniline)

Phenol derivatives

Not more than 5 mg/kg (as phenol)

Readily carbonizable substances

Cold solution of 0,5 g of biphenyl in 5 ml of 94,5 to 95,5 % sulphuric acid must not show a stronger colouring than that of a reference liquid containing 0.2

colouring than that of a reference liquid containing 0,2 ml of cobalt chloride TSC, 0,3 ml of ferric chloride TSC, 0,1 ml of copper sulphate TSC and 4,4 ml of water

Terphenyl and higher polyphenyl deri-

vatives

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons Absent

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 231 ORTHOPHENYLPHENOL

Synonyms Orthoxenol

Definition

Chemical name (1,1'-Biphenyl)-2-ol

2-Hydroxydiphenyl *o*-Hydroxydiphenyl

Not more than 0,2 %

Einecs201-993-5Chemical formula $C_{12}H_{10}O$ Molecular weight170,20

Assay Content not less than 99 %

Description White or slightly yellowish crystalline powder

Identification

A. Melting range 56 °C to 58 °C

B. Positive test for phenolate An ethanolic solution (1 g in 10 ml) produces a green

colour on addition of 10 % ferric chloride solution

Purity

Not more than 0,05 % Sulphated ash Diphenyl ether Not more than 0,3 % p-Phenylphenol Not more than 0,1 % 1-Naphthol Not more than 0,01 % Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 232 SODIUM ORTHOPHENYLPHENOL

Synonyms Sodium orthophenylphenate
Sodium salt of *o*-phenylphenol

Definition

Chemical name Sodium orthophenylphenol

Einecs205-055-6Chemical formula $C_{12}H_9ONa\cdot 4H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 264,26

Assay Content not less than 97 % of C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ONa·4H<sub>2</sub>O

Description White or slightly yellowish crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for phenolate and for sodium

B. Melting range of orthophenylphenol isolated by acidification and not recrystallized derived from the sample 56  $^{\circ}$ C to 58  $^{\circ}$ C after drying in a sulphuric acid desiccator

C. pH of a 2 % aqueous solution must be between 11,1 and 11,8

Purity

Diphenylether P-phenylphenol Not more than 0,3 %

1-naphthol Not more than 0,1 %

Arsenic Not more than 0,01 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 233 THIABENDAZOLE

Definition

Chemical name 4-(2-benzimidazolyl)thiazole

2-(4-thiazolyl)-1H-benzimidazole

**Einecs** 1205-725-8

Assay Content not less than 98 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White, or almost white, odourless powder

Identification

A. Melting range 296 °C to 303 °C

B. Spectrometry Absorption maxima in 0,1 N HCl (0,0005 % w/v) at 302

nm, 258 nm and 243 nm

 $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  at 302 nm  $\pm$  2 nm: approximately 1 230  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  at 258 nm  $\pm$  2 nm: approximately 200  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  at 243 nm  $\pm$  2 nm: approximately 620

Ratio of absorption 243 nm/302 nm = 0,47 to 0,53Ratio of absorption 258 nm/302 nm = 0,14 to 0,18

Purity

Water content Not more than 0,5 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash

Selenium

Arsenic

Lead

Mercury

Not more than 0,2 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 234 NISIN

**Definition** Nisin consists of several closely related polypeptides

produced by natural strains of Streptococcus lactis,

Lancefield group N

**Einecs** 215-807-5

Chemical formula  $C_{143}H_{230}N_{42}O_{37}S_7$ 

Molecular weight 3 354,12

Assay Nisin concentrate contains not less than 900 units per

mg in a mixture of non-fat milk solids and a minimum

sodium chloride content of 50 %

Description White powder

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 3 % when dried to constant weight at

102 °C to 103 °C

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

## **▼**B

Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 235 NATAMYCIN

Synonyms

Definition

Einecs Chemical formula

Molecular weight 665,74

Assay

Description

Identification

A. Colour reactions

B. Spectrometry

C. pH

D. Specific rotation

Purity

Loss on drying

Sulphated ash Arsenic Lead

Mercury Heavy metals (as Pb)

Microbiological criteria: total viable

Pimaricin

231-683-5

Natamycin is a fungicide of the polyene macrolide group, and is produced by natural strains of Strep-

tomyces natalensis or of Streptococcus lactis

 $C_{33}H_{47}O_{13}N$ 

Content not less than 95 % on the anhydrous basis

White to creamy-white crystalline powder

On adding a few crystals of natamycin on a spot plate, to a drop of:

concentrated hydrochloric acid, a blue colour develops,

concentrated phosphoric acid, a green colour develops,

which changes into pale red after a few minutes

A 0,0005 % w/v solution in 1 % methanolic acetic acid solution has absorption maxima at about 290 nm, 303 nm and 318 nm, a shoulder at about 280 nm and exhibits minima at about 250 nm, 295,5 nm and 311 nm

5,5 to 7,5 (1 % w/v solution in previously neutralized mixture of 20 parts dimethylformamide and 80 parts of water)

reference to the dried material)

Not more than 8 % (over  $P_2O_5$ , in vacuum at 60 °C to

constant weight)

Not more than 0,5 % Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not more than 100/g

## E 239 HEXAMETHYLENE TETRAMINE

**Synonyms** Hexamine

Methenamine

Definition

1,3,5,7-Tetraazatricyclo [3.3.1.1<sup>3,7</sup>]-decane, hexamethy-Chemical name

lenetetramine

202-905-8 **Einecs** Chemical formula  $C_6H_{12}N_4$ Molecular weight 140,19

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis

Colourless or white crystalline powder Description

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for formaldehyde and

for ammonia

B. Sublimation point approximately

260 °C

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % after drying at 105 °C in vacuum

over P2O5 for two hours

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,05 %

Sulphates Not more than 0,005 % expressed as  $SO_4$  Chlorides Not more than 0,005 % expressed as Cl

Ammonium salts Not detectable

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 242 DIMETHYL DICARBONATE

Synonyms DMDC

Dimethyl pyrocarbonate

**Definition** 

**Einecs** 224-859-8

Chemical name Dimethyl dicarbonate

Pyrocarbonic acid dimethyl ester

Chemical formula  $C_4H_6O_5$ Molecular weight 134,09

Assay Content not less than 99,8 %

Description Colourless liquid, decomposes in aqueous solution. It is

corrosive to skin and eyes and toxic by inhalation and

ingestion

Identification

A. Decomposition After dilution positive tests for CO<sub>2</sub> and methanol

B. Melting point 17 °C

Boiling point 172 °C with decomposition
C. Density 20 °C Approximately 1,25 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

D. Infrared spectrum

Maxima at 1 156 and 1 832 cm<sup>-1</sup>

Purity

Dimethyl carbonate

Chlorine, total

Arsenic

Lead

Mercury

Not more than 0,2 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 249 POTASSIUM NITRITE

## Definition

Chemical namePotassium nitriteEinecs231-832-4Chemical formulaKNO2Molecular weight85,11

Assay Content not less than 95 % on the anhydrous basis (4)

Description White or slightly yellow, deliquescent granules

## **▼**B

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for nitrite and for

potassium

B. pH of a 5 % solution: not less than 6,0 and not more than 9,0

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 3 % after drying for four hours over silica

gel

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb)

#### E 250 SODIUM NITRITE

#### Definition

Chemical name Sodium nitrite **Einecs** 231-555-9  $NaNO_2$ 

Chemical formula Molecular weight 69,00

Content not less than 97 % on the anhydrous basis (4) Assay

Description White crystalline powder or yellowish lumps

Identification

A. Positive tests for nitrite and for sodium

Purity

Not more than 0,25 % after drying over silica gel for Loss on drying

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb)

### **▼** M5

## E 251 SODIUM NITRATE

## 1. SOLID SODIUM NITRATE

**Synonyms** Chile saltpetre Cubic or soda nitre

**Definition** 

Chemical name Sodium nitrate **EINECS** 231-554-3 NaNO<sub>3</sub> Chemical formula 85,00 Molecular weight

Content not less than 99 % after drying Assay Description White crystalline, slightly hygroscopic powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for nitrate and for sodium

B. pH of a 5 % solution Not less than 5,5 and not more than 8,3

Purity

Not more than 2 % after drying at 105 °C for four hours Loss on drying

Nitrites Not more than 30 mg/kg expressed as NaNO2

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

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Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 251 SODIUM NITRATE

#### 2. LIQUID SODIUM NITRATE

**Definition** Liquid sodium nitrate is an aqueous solution of sodium

nitrate as the direct result of the chemical reaction between sodium hydroxide and nitric acid in stoechiometric amounts, without subsequent crystallisation. Standardised forms prepared from liquid sodium nitrate meeting these specifications may contain nitric acid in

excessive amounts, if clearly stated or labelled.

Chemical name Sodium nitrate

**EINECS** 231-554-3

Chemical formula NaNO<sub>3</sub>
Molecular weight 85,00

Assay Content between 33,5 % and 40,0 % of NaNO<sub>3</sub>

Description Clear colourless liquid

Identification

A. Positive tests for nitrate and for

sodium

B. pH Not less than 1,5 and not more than 3,5

Purity

Free nitric acid Not more than 0,01 %

Nitrites Not more than 10 mg/kg expressed as NaNO<sub>2</sub>

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 0,3 mg/kg

This specification refers to a 35 %

aqueous solution.

## E 252 POTASSIUM NITRATE

**Synonyms** Chile saltpetre

Cubic or soda nitre

Definition

**▼**B

Chemical name Potassium nitrate

Einecs 231-818-8
Chemical formula KNO<sub>3</sub>
Molecular weight 101,11

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White crystalline powder or transparent prisms having a

cooling, saline, pungent taste

Identification

A. Positive tests for nitrate and for

potassium

B. pH of a 5 % solution Not less than 4,5 and not more than 8,5

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 1 % after drying at 105 °C for four hours

Nitrites Not more than 20 mg/kg expressed as KNO<sub>2</sub>

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 260 ACETIC ACID

Definition

Chemical name Acetic acid

Ethanoic acid

**Einecs** 200-580-7

Chemical formula  $C_2H_4O_2$ Molecular weight 60,05

Assay Content not less than 99,8 %

Clear, colourless liquid having a pungent, characteristic Description

Identification

118 °C at 760 mm pressure (of mercury) A. Boiling point

B. Specific gravity About 1,049

C. A one in three solution gives positive

tests for acetate

D. Solidification point Not lower than 14,5 °C

Purity

Non-volatile residue Not more than 100 mg/kg

Not more than 1000 mg/kg expressed as formic acid Formic acid, formates and other

oxidizable substances

Readily oxidizable substances Dilute 2 ml of the sample in a glass-stoppered container with 10 ml of water and add 0,1 ml of 0,1 N potassium

permanganate. The pink colour does not change to

brown within 30 minutes

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 261 POTASSIUM ACETATE

**Definition** 

Chemical name Potassium acetate

**Einecs** 204-822-2 Chemical formula C2H3O2K 98,14 Molecular weight

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Description Colourless, deliquescent crystals or a white crystalline

powder, odourless or with a faint acetic odour

Identification

A. pH of a 5 % aqueous solution Not less than 7,5 and not more than 9,0

B. Positive tests for acetate and for

potassium

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 8 % after drying at 150 °C for two hours

Formic acid, formates and other Not more than 1 000 mg/kg expressed as formic acid

oxidizable substances

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead

Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 262 (i) SODIUM ACETATE

Definition

Chemical name Sodium acetate

204-823-8 **Einecs** 

Chemical formula  $C_2H_3NaO_2\cdot nH_2O$  (n = 0 or 3)

Molecular weight Anhydrous: 82,03

> Trihydrate: 136.08

Assay Content (for both of anhydrous and trihydrate form) not

less than 98,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Anhydrous: White, odourless, granular, hygro-

scopic powder

Trihydrate: Colourless, transparent crystals or a

granular crystalline powder, odourless with a faint, acetic

Effloresces in warm, dry air

Identification

A. pH of a 1 % aqueous solution

B. Positive tests for acetate and for sodium

Not less than 8,0 and not more than 9,5

Purity

Loss on drying Anhydrous: Not more than 2 % (120 °C, 4 hours)

> Between 36 and 42 % (120 °C, 4 Trihydrate:

> > hours)

Formic acid, formates and other

oxidizable substances

Not more than 1 000 mg/kg expressed as formic acid

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 262 (ii) SODIUM DIACETATE

Definition Sodium diacetate is a molecular compound of sodium

acetate and acetic acid

Chemical name Sodium hydrogen diacetate

Einecs 204-814-9

 $C_4H_7NaO_4\cdot nH_2O$  (n = 0 or 3) Chemical formula

Molecular weight 142,09 (anhydrous)

Content 39 to 41 % of free acetic acid and 58 to 60 % of Assay

sodium acetate

Description White, hygroscopic crystalline solid with an acetic odour

Identification

A. pH of a 10 % aqueous solution Not less than 4,5 and not more than 5,0

sodium

B. Positive tests for acetate and for

Purity

Water content Not more than 2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Formic acid, formates and other Not more than 1 000 mg/kg expressed as formic acid

oxidizable substances

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 263 CALCIUM ACETATE

Definition

Lead

Chemical name Calcium acetate Einecs 200-540-9

Chemical formula

Anhydrous: C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Ca Monohydrate: C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>Ca·H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight

Anhydrous: 158,17

Assay

Monohydrate: 176,18 Content not less than 98 % on the anhydrous basis

Description

Anhydrous calcium acetate is a white, hygroscopic, bulky, crystalline solid with a slightly bitter taste. A slight odour of acetic acid may be present. The monohydrate may be needles, granules or powder

Identification

A. pH of a 10 % aqueous solution

Not less than 6,0 and not more than 9,0

B. Positive tests for acetate and for calcium

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 11 % after drying (155 °C to constant

weight, for the monohydrate)

Water insoluble matter

Not more than 0,3 %

Formic acid, formates and other

Not more than 1 000 mg/kg expressed as formic acid

oxidizable substances

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead Mercury

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

#### E 270 LACTIC ACID

#### Definition

Chemical name Lactic acid

2-Hydroxypropionic acid

1-Hydroxyethane-1-carboxylic acid

**Einecs** 

200-018-0  $C_3H_6O_3$ 

Chemical formula Molecular weight

90,08

Assay Description Content not less than 76 % and not more than 84 %

Colourless or yellowish, nearly odourless, syrupy liquid with an acid taste, consisting of a mixture of lactic acid (C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) and lactic acid lactate (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>5</sub>). It is obtained by the lactic fermentation of sugars or is

prepared synthetically

Note:

Lactic acid is hygroscopic and when concentrated by boiling, it condenses to form lactic acid lactate, which on dilution and heating hydrolyzes to lactic acid

Identification

A. Positive test for lactate

Purity

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,1 % Chloride Not more than 0,2 % Sulphate Not more than 0,25 % Iron Not more than 10 mg/kg Not more than 3 mg/kg Arsenic Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 10 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb)

Note:

This specification refers to a 80 % aqueous solution; for weaker aqueous solutions, calculate values corresponding to their lactic acid content

## E 280 PROPIONIC ACID

**Definition** 

Chemical name Propionic acid

Propanoic acid

**Einecs** 201-176-3

Assay Content not less than 99,5 %

Description Colourless or slightly yellowish, oily liquid with a

slightly pungent odour

Indentification

A. Melting point - 22 °C

B. Distillation range 138,5 °C to 142,5 °C

Purity

Non-volatile residue Not more than 0,01 % when dried at 140 °C to constant

weight

Aldehydes Not more than 0,1 % expressed as formaldehyde

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 281 SODIUM PROPIONATE

Definition

Chemical name Sodium propionate

Sodium propanoate

**Einecs** 205-290-4

Chemical formula C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Na

Molecular weight 96,06

Assay Content not less than 99 % after drying for two hours at

105 °C

Description White crystalline hygroscopic powder, or a fine white

owde

Identification

A. Positive tests for propionate and for

sodium

B. pH of a 10 % aqueous solution

Not less than 7,5 and not more than 10,5

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 4 % determined by drying for two hours

at 105  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

Water insolubles

Iron

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 282 CALCIUM PROPIONATE

Definition

Chemical name Calcium propionate

Einecs223-795-8Chemical formula $C_6H_{10}O_4Ca$ Molecular weight186,22

Assay Content not less than 99 %, after drying for two hours at

105 °C

Description White crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for propionate and for

calcium

B. pH of a 10 % aqueous solution Between 6,0 and 9,0

**Purity** 

Loss on drying Not more than 4 %, determined by drying for two hours

at 105 °C

Water insolubles

Iron

Not more than 0,3 %

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 283 POTASSIUM PROPIONATE

Definition

Chemical name Potassium propionate

Potassium propanoate

Einecs206-323-5Chemical formula $C_3H_5KO_2$ Molecular weight112,17

Assay Content not less than 99 % after drying for two hours at

105 °C

Description White crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for propionate and for

potassium

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 4 %, determined by drying for two hours

at 105 °C

Water-insoluble substances

Iron

Not more than 0,3 %

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 284 BORIC ACID

Synonyms Boracic acid

Orthoboric acid Borofax Definition

Einecs233-139-2Chemical formulaH3BO3Molecular weight61,84

Assay Content not less than 99,5 %

Description Colourless, odourless, transparent crystals or white

granules or powder; slightly unctuous to the touch;

occurs in nature as the mineral sassolite

Identification

A. Melting point At approximately 171 °C

B. Burns with a nice green flame

C. pH of a 3,3 % aqueous solution Between 3,8 and 4,8

Purity

Peroxides No colour develops with added KI-solution

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 285 SODIUM TETRABORATE (BORAX)

Synonyms Sodium borate

Definition

Chemical name Sodium tetraborate

Sodium biborate Sodium pyroborate Anhydrous tetraborate

Einecs215-540-4Chemical formula $Na_2B_4O_7$ 

Na<sub>2</sub>B<sub>4</sub>O<sub>7</sub>·10H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 201,27

Description Powder or glass-like plates becoming opaque on

exposure to air; slowly soluble in water

Identification

A. Melting range Between 171 °C and 175 °C with decomposition

Purity

Peroxides No colour develops with added KI-solution

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 290 CARBON DIOXIDE

Synonyms Carbonic acid gas

Dry ice (solid form) Carbonic anhydride

Definition

Chemical nameCarbon dioxideEinecs204-696-9Chemical formulaCO2Molecular weight44,01

Assay Content not less than 99 % v/v on the gaseous basis

Description

A colourless gas under normal environmental conditions with a slight pungent odour. Commercial carbon dioxide is shipped and handled as a liquid in pressurized cylinders or bulk storage systems, or in compressed solid blocks of 'dry ice'. Solid (dry ice) forms usually contain added substances, such as propylene glycol or mineral oil, as binders

#### Identification

A. Precipitation (Precipitate formation) When a stream of the sample is passed through a solution of barium hydroxide, a white precipitate is produced which dissolves with effervescence in dilute acetic acid

#### **Purity**

Acidity

915 ml of gas bubbled through 50 ml of freshly boiled water must not render the latter more acid to methylorange than is 50 ml freshly boiled water to which has been added 1 ml of hydrochloric acid (0,01 N)

Reducing substances, phosphide and sulphide

hydrogen

915 ml of gas bubbled through 25 ml of ammoniacal silver nitrate reagent to which has been added 3 ml of ammonia must not cause clouding or blackening of this solution

Carbon monoxide Not more than 10 µl/l Oil content Not more than 0,1 mg/l

#### E 300 ASCORBIC ACID

#### Definition

Chemical name

L-ascorbic acid Ascorbic acid

2,3-Didehydro-L-threo-hexono-1,4-lactone

3-Keto-L-gulofuranolactone

Einecs

200-066-2 Chemical formula  $C_6H_8O_6$ Molecular weight 176.13

Assay

Ascorbic acid, after drying in a vacuum desiccator over sulphuric acid for 24 hours, contains not less than 99 % of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>6</sub>

Description

White to pale yellow, odourless crystalline solid

## Identification

A. Melting range

B. Positive tests for ascorbic acid

Between 189 °C and 193 °C with decomposition

#### Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 0,4 % after drying in a vacuum desiccator over sulphuric acid for 24 hours

Sulphated ash

Not more than 0,1 %

Between 2.4 and 2.8

Specific rotation

 $\left[\alpha\right]_{\mathrm{D}}^{20}$  between + 20,5 ° and + 21,5 ° (10 % w/v aqueous

solution)

pH of a 2 % aqueous solution Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 301 SODIUM ASCORBATE

#### Definition

Lead

Mercury

Chemical name

Sodium ascorbate Sodium L-ascorbate

2,3-Didehydro-L-threo-hexono-1,4-lactone

sodium

enolate

3-Keto-L-gulofurano-lactone sodium enolate

Molecular weight 198,11

Assay Sodium ascorbate, after drying in a vacuum desiccator

over sulphuric acid for 24 hours, contains not less than

99 % of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na

Description White or almost white, odourless crystalline solid which

darkens on exposure to light

Identification

A. Positive tests for ascorbate and for

sodium

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,25 % after drying in a vacuum

desiccator over sulphuric acid for 24 hours

Specific rotation  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20}$  between + 103 ° and + 106 ° (10 % w/v aqueous

solution)

pH of 10 % aqueous solution

Arsenic Lead Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Between 6,5 and 8,0 Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 302 CALCIUM ASCORBATE

#### Definition

Chemical name Calcium ascorbate dihydrate

Calcium salt of 2,3-didehydro-L-threo-hexono-1,4-

lactone dihydrate

**Einecs** 227-261-5

Chemical formula  $C_{12}H_{14}O_{12}Ca\cdot 2H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 426,35

Assay Content not less than 98 % on a volatile matter-free

basis

Description White to slightly pale greyish-yellow odourless crys-

talline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for ascorbate and for

calcium

Purity

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Specific rotation  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20}$  between + 95 ° and + 97 ° (5 % w/v aqueous

solution)

pH of 10 % aqueous solution Between 6,0 and 7,5

Volatile matter Not more than 0,3 % determined by drying at room

temperature for 24 hours in a desiccator containing

sulphuric acid or phosphorus pentoxide

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 304 (i) ASCORBYL PALMITATE

## Definition

Chemical name Ascorbyl palmitate

L-ascorbyl palmitate

2,3-didehydro-L-threo-hexono-1,4-lactone-6-palmitate

6-palmitoyl-3-keto-L-gulofuranolactone

Einecs205-305-4Chemical formula $C_{22}H_{38}O_7$ Molecular weight414,55

Assay Content not less than 98 % on the dried basis

Description White or yellowish-white solid with a citrus-like odour

Identification

A. Melting range Between 107 °C and 117 °C

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 2,0 % after drying in a vacuum oven at

56 °C and 60 °C for one hour

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,1 %

Specific rotation  $\left[\alpha\right]_{D}^{20}$  between + 21 °and + 24 ° (5 % w/v in methanol

solution)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 304 (ii) ASCORBYL STEARATE

Definition

Chemical name Ascorbyl stearate

L-ascorbyl stearate

2, 3-dide hydro-L-threo-hexono-1, 4-lactone-6-stearate

6-stearoyl-3-keto-L-gulofuranolactone

Einecs246-944-9Chemical formula $C_{24}H_{42}O_7$ Molecular weight442,6

Assay Content not less than 98 %

Description White or yellowish, white solid with a citrus-like odour

Identification

A. Melting point About 116 °C

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 2,0 % after drying in a vacuum oven at

 $56~^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $60~^{\circ}\text{C}$  for one hour

Sulphated ash
Arsenic
Not more than 0,1 %
Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead
Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury
Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb)
Not more than 10 mg/kg

## E 306 TOCOPHEROL-RICH EXTRACT

**Definition** Product obtained by the vacuum steam distillation of

edible vegetable oil products, comprising concentrated

tocopherols and tocotrienols

Contains to copherols such as d- $\alpha$ -, d- $\beta$ -, d- $\gamma$ - and d- $\varsigma$ -

tocopherols

Molecular weight 430,71 (d-α-tocopherol)

Assay Content not less than 34 % of total tocopherols

Description

Brownish red to red, clear, viscous oil having a mild, characteristic odour and taste. May show a slight

**▼**<u>B</u> separation of wax-like constituents in microcrystalline Identification A. By suitable gas liquid chromatographic method B. Solubility tests Insoluble in water. Soluble in ethanol. Miscible in ether Purity Sulphated ash Not more than 0,1 %  $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  not less than + 20 ° Specific rotation Not more than 3 mg/kg Arsenic Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) **▼**M7 E 307 ALPHA-TOCOPHEROL **Synonyms** DL-α-Tocopherol Definition Chemical name DL-5,7,8-Trimethyltocol DL-2,5,7,8-Tetramethyl-2-(4',8',12'-trimethyltridecyl)-6chromanol 233-466-0 **Einecs** Chemical formula  $C_{29}H_{50}O_{2}$ 430,71 Molecular weight Assay Content not less than 96 % Description Slightly yellow to amber, nearly odourless, clear, viscous oil which oxidizes and darkens on exposure to air or Identification A. Solubility tests Insoluble in water, freely soluble in ethanol, miscible in In absolute ethanol the maximum absorption is about B. Spectrophotometry 292 nm **Purity** n D 1,503to 1,507 Refractive index E  $_{1\ cm}^{1\ \%}$  (292 nm) 72 to 76 Specific absorption E 1 % in ethanol (0,01 g in 200 ml of absolute ethanol) Sulphated ash Not more than 0,1 % Specific rotation  $[\alpha]_D^{25}0^{\circ} \pm 0.05^{\circ}$  (1 in 10 solution in chloroform) Not more than 2 mg/kg **▼**B E 308 GAMMA-TOCOPHEROL

Synonyms	dl-γ-Tocopherol		
Definition			
Chemical name	2,7,8-trimethyl-2-(4',8',12'-trimethyltridecyl)-6-chromanol		
EINECS	231-523-4		
Chemical formula	$C_{28}H_{48}O_2$		
Molecular weight	416,69		
Assay	Content not less than 97 %		
Description	Clear, viscous, pale yellow oil which oxidizes and darkens on exposure to air or light		
Identification			

#### Id

Maximum absorptions in absolute ethanol at about 298 A. Spectrometry

nm and 257 nm

Purity

Specific absorption  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  in ethanol

 $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (298 nm) between 91 and 97  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (257 nm) between 5,0 and 8,0

Refractive index  $n_D^{20}1,503-1,507$ 

Sulphated ash

Arsenic

Lead

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 309 DELTA-TOCOPHEROL

Definition

Chemical name 2,8-dimethyl-2-(4',8',12'-trimethyltridecyl)-6-chromanol

**Einecs** 204-299-0

Chemical formula  $C_{27}H_{46}O_2$ Molecular weight 402,7

Assay Content not less than 97 %

Description Clear, viscous, pale yellowish or orange oil which

oxidizes and darkens on exposure to air or light

Identification

A. Spectrometry Maximum absorptions in absolute ethanol at about 298

nm and 257 nm

Purity

Specific absorption  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  in ethanol  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (298 nm) between 89 and 95

 $E_{lcm}^{1\%}$  (257 nm) between 3,0 and 6,0

Refractive index  $n_D^{20} 1,500 - 1,504$ 

Sulphated ash

Arsenic

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 310 PROPYL GALLATE

Definition

Chemical name Propyl gallate

Propyl ester of gallic acid

n-propyl ester of 3,4,5-trihydroxybenzoic acid

Einecs204-498-2Chemical formula $C_{10}H_{12}O_5$ 

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{12}O_5$ Molecular weight 212,20

Assay Content not less than 98 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White to creamy-white, crystalline, odourless solid

Identification

A. Solubility tests Slightly soluble in water, freely soluble in ethanol, ether

and propane-1,2-diol

B. Melting range Between 146 °C and 150 °C after drying at 110 °C for

four hours

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 1,0 % (110 °C, four hours)

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,1 %

Free acid

Not more than 0,5 % (as gallic acid)

Chlorinated organic compound

Not more than 100 mg/kg (as C1)

## **▼**<u>B</u>

Specific absorption  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  in ethanol

 $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (275 nm) not less than 485 and not more than 520

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 311 OCTYL GALLATE

Definition

Chemical name Octyl gallate

Octyl ester of gallic acid

n-octyl ester of 3,4,5-trihydroxybenzoic acid

Molecular weight 282,34

Content not less than 98 % after drying at 90 °C for six

hour

Description White to creamy-white odourless solid

Identification

Assav

A. Solubility tests Insoluble in water, freely soluble in ethanol, ether and

propane-1,2-diol

B. Melting range Between 99 °C and 102 °C after drying at 90 °C for six

hours

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (90 °C, six hours)

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,05 %

Free acid

Not more than 0,5 % (as gallic acid)

Chlorinated organic compound

Not more than 100 mg/kg (as C1)

Specific absorption  $E_{lcm}^{1\%}$  in ethanol  $E_{lcm}^{1\%}$  (275 nm) not less than 375 and not more than 390

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 312 DODECYL GALLATE

Synonyms Lauryl gallate

Definition

Chemical name Dodecyl gallate

n-dodecyl (or lauryl) ester of 3,4,5-trihydroxybenzoic

acid

Dodecyl ester of gallic acid

Chemical formula  $C_{19}H_{30}O_{3}$ Molecular weight 338,45

Assay Content not less than 98 % after drying at 90 °C for six

hours

Description White or creamy-white odourless solid

Identification

A. Solubility tests

Insoluble in water, freely soluble in ethanol and ether

B. Melting range

Between 95 °C and 98 °C after drying at 90 °C for six

hours

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (90 °C, six hours)

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,05 %

**▼**<u>B</u>

Free acid

Not more than 0,5 % (as gallic acid)

Chlorinated organic compound

Not more than 100 mg/kg (as Cl)

Specific absorption  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  in ethanol  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (275 nm) not less than 300 and not more than 325

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 10 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 30 mg/kg

**▼**M7

E 315 ERYTHORBIC ACID

Synonyms Isoascorbic acid

D-Araboascorbic acid

Definition

Chemical name D-Erythro-hex-2-enoic acid γ-lactone

Isoascorbic acid
D-Isoascorbic acid

Einecs201-928-0Chemical formula $C_6H_8O_6$ Molecular weight176,13

Assay Content not less than 98 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White to slightly yellow crystalline solid which darkens

gradually on exposure to light

Identification

A. Melting range About 164 °C to 172 °C with decomposition

B. Positive test for ascorbic acid/colour reaction

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,4 % after drying under reduced pressure

on silica gel for 3 hours

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,3 %

Specific rotation  $\left[\alpha\right] \frac{25}{5} \frac{10}{5} \%$  (w/v) aqueous solution between  $-16.5^{\circ}$  to

- 18,0°

Oxalate To a solution of 1 g in 10 ml of water add 2 drops of

glacial acetic acid and 5 ml of 10 % calcium acetate

solution. The solution should remain clear

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

**▼**B

E 316 SODIUM ERYTHORBATE

Synonyms Sodium isoascorbate

Definition

Chemical name Sodium isoascorbate

Sodium D-isoascorbic acid

Sodium salt of 2,3-didehydro-D-erythro-hexono-1,4-

lactone

3-keto-D-gulofurano-lactone sodium enolate mono-

hydrate

 Einecs
 228-973-9

 Chemical formula
 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na·H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 216,13

Assay Content not less than 98 % after drying in a vacuum

desiccator over sulphuric acid for 24 hours expressed on the monohydrate basis

Description White crystalline solid

Identification

A. Solubility tests Freely soluble in water, very slightly soluble in ethanol

## **▼**B

B. Positive test for ascorbic acid/colour reaction

C. Positive test for sodium

#### Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 0,25 % after drying in a vacuum

desiccator over sulphuric acid for 24 hours

 $[\alpha]_{25}^{25}$  10 % (w/v) aqueous solution between + 95 ° and + 98 ° Specific rotation

pH of a 10 % aqueous solution

5,5 to 8,0

Oxalate

To a solution of 1 g in 10 ml of water add 2 drops of glacial acetic acid and 5 ml of 10 % calcium acetate

solution. The solution should remain clear

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### **▼**M7

#### E 319 TERTIARY-BUTYLHYDROQUINONE (TBHQ)

Synonyms **TBHO** 

Definition

Chemical names Tert-butyl-1,4-benzenediol

2-(1,1-Dimethylethyl)-1,4-benzenediol

Einecs 217-752-2 Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{14}O_{2}$ 

166,22 Molecular weight

Assay Content not less than 99 % of C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

White crystalline solid having a characteristic odour Description

Identification

A. Solubility Practically insoluble in water; soluble in ethanol

B. Melting point Not less than 126,5 °C

C. Phenolics Dissolve about 5 mg of the sample in 10 ml of methanol

and add 10,5 ml of dimethylamine solution (1 in 4). A

red to pink colour is produced

Not more than 2 mg/kg

**Purity** 

Tertiary-Butyl-p-benzoquinone Not more than 0,2 % Not more than 0,2 % 2,5-Di-tertiary-butyl hydroquinone Hydroxyquinone Not more than 0,1 % Toluene Not more than 25 mg/kg

## E 320 BUTYLATED HYDROXYANISOLE (BHA)

**Synonyms** 

Chemical names 3-Tertiary-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole

A mixture of 2-tertiary-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole and 3-

tertiary-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole

EINECS 246-563-8

Chemical formula

 $C_{11}H_{16}O_2$ 

Formula weight 180,25

Content not less than 98,5 % of C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O<sub>2</sub> and not less

than 85 % of 3-tertiary-butyl-4-hydroxyanisole isomer

White or slightly yellow crystals or waxy solid with a

slight aromatic smell

## **▼** <u>M2</u>

# Definition

Assay

Description

## **▼** M2

#### Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water, freely soluble in ethanol

B. Melting range

Between 48 °C and 63 °C

C. Colour reaction

Passes test for phenol groups

Purity

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,05 % after calcination at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Phenolic impurities Not more than 0,5 %

Specific absorption  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$   $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (290 nm) not less than 190 and not more than 210 Specific absorption  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (228 nm) not less than 326 and not more than 345

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

**▼**<u>B</u>

#### E 321 BUTYLATED HYDROXYTOLUENE (BHT)

Synonyms B

Definition

Chemical name 2,6-Ditertiary-butyl-p-cresol

4-Methyl-2,6-ditertiarybutylphenol

Einecs204-881-4Chemical formula $C_{15}H_{24}O$ Molecular weight220,36

Assay Content not less than 99 %

Description White, crystalline or flaked solid, odourless or having a

characteristic faint aromatic odour

Identification

A. Solubility tests

Insoluble in water and propane- 1,2-diol

Freely soluble in ethanol

B. Melting point At 70 °C

C. Absorbance maximum

The absorption in the range 230 to 320 nm of a 2 cm

layer of a 1 in 100 000 solution in dehydrated ethanol

exhibits a maximum only at 278 nm

Purity

Sulphated ash

Not more than 0,005 %

Phenolic impurities

Not more than 0,5 %

Specific absorption  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  in ethanol  $E_{1cm}^{1\%}$  (278 nm) not less than 81 and not more than 88

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 322 LECITHINS

Synonyms Phosphatides

Phospholipids

**Definition**Lecithins are mixtures or fractions of phosphatides

obtained by physical procedures from animal or vegetable foodstuffs; they also include hydrolysed products obtained through the use of harmless and appropriate enzymes. The final product must not show

any signs of residual enzyme activity

The lecithins may be slightly bleached in aqueous medium by means of hydrogen peroxide. This oxidation must not chemically modify the lecithin phos-

phatides

**Einecs** 232-307-2

**▼**B

Assay Lecithins: not less than 60,0 % of substances insoluble in acetone Hydrolysed lecithins: not less than 56,0 % of substances insoluble in acetone Lecithins: brown liquid or viscous semi-liquid or Description powder Hydrolysed lecithins: light brown to brown viscous liquid or paste Identification A. Positive tests for choline, for phosphorus and fatty acids B. Test for hydrolysed lecithin To a 800 ml beaker add 500 ml of water (30 °C—35 ° C). Then slowly add 50 ml of the sample with constant stirring. Hydrolysed lecithin will form a homogeneous emulsion. Non-hydrolysed lecithin will form a distinct mass of about 50 g **Purity** Loss on drying Not more than 2,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for one hour Toluene-insoluble matter Not more than 0,3 % Acid value - Lecithins: not more than 35 mg of potassium hydroxide per gram - Hydrolysed lecithins: not more than 45 mg of potassium hydroxide per gram Peroxide value Equal to or less than 10 Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg E 325 SODIUM LACTATE Definition Chemical name Sodium lactate Sodium 2-hydroxypropanoate **Einecs** 200-772-0 Chemical formula  $C_3H_5NaO_3$ Molecular weight 112,06 (anhydrous) Content not less than 57 % and not more than 66 % Assav Description Colourless, transparent, liquid Odourless, or with a slight, characteristic odour Identification A. Positive test for lactate B. Positive test for potassium Purity Acidity Not more than 0,5 % after drying expressed as lactic acid pH of a 20 % aqueous solution 6,5 to 7,5 Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

No reduction of Fehling's solution

Reducing substances

Note:

This specification refers to a 60 aqueous solution

#### E 326 POTASSIUM LACTATE

Definition

Cheminal name Potassium lactate

Potassium 2-hydroxypropanoate

Odourless, or with a slight, characteristic odour

Einecs 213-631-3

Chemical formula  $C_3H_5O_3K$ 

Molecular weight 128,17 (anhydrous)

Assay Content not less than 57 % and not more than 66 % Description Slightly viscous, almost odourless clear liquid.

Identification

A. Ignition Ignite potassium lactate solution to an ash. The ash is

alkaline, and an effervescence occurs when acid is added B. Colour reaction Overlay 2 ml of potassium lactate solution on 5 ml of a

1 in 100 solution of catechol in sulphuric acid. A deep red colour is produced at the zone of contact

C. Positive tests for potassium and for lactate

Purity

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

Dissolve 1 g of potassium lactate solution in 20 ml of Acidity water, add 3 drops of phenolphthalein TS and titrate with 0,1 N sodium hydroxide. Not more than 0,2 ml

should be required

Potassium lactate solution shall not cause any reduction Reducing substances of Fehling's solution

Note:

This specification refers to a 60 % aqueous solution

# E 327 CALCIUM LACTATE

Definition

Chemical name Calcium dilactate

Calcium dilactate hydrate

2-Hydroxypropanoic acid calcium salt

212-406-7 Einecs

 $(C_3H_5O_2)_2 Ca \cdot nH_2O (n = 0-5)$ Chemical formula

Molecular weight 218,22 (anhydrous)

Assav Content not less than 98 % on the anhydrous basis Description Almost odourless, white crystalline powder or granules

Identification

A. Positive tests for lactate and for calcium

B. Solubility tests

Soluble in water and practically insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Loss on drying Determined by drying at 120 °C for four hours:

anhydrous: not more than 3,0 %

with 1 molecule of water: not more than 8,0 %

with 3 molecules of water: not more than 20,0 %

— with 4,5 molecules of water: not more than 27,0 %

Acidity

Not more than 0,5 % of the dry matter expressed as lactic acid

Fluoride

Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

pH of a 5 % solution

Between 6,0 and 8,0 Not more than 3 mg/kg

Arsenic Lead Mercury

Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

No reduction of Fehling's solution

Reducing substances

#### E 330 CITRIC ACID

#### Definition

Chemical name

Citric acid

2-Hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic acid

 $\beta$ -Hydroxytricarballytic acid

Einecs

Chemical formula

201-069-1

(a) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>7</sub> (anhydrous)

(b) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>7</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O (monohydrate)

Molecular weight

(a) 192,13 (anhydrous)

(b) 210,15 (monohydrate)

Assay

Citric acid may be anhydrous or it may contain 1 molecule of water. Citric acid contains not less than 99,5 % of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>7</sub>, calculated on the anhydrous basis

Description

Citric acid is a white or colourless, odourless, crystalline solid, having a strongly acid taste. The monohydrate effloresces in dry air

#### Identification

A. Solubility tests

Very soluble in water; freely soluble in ethanol; soluble in ether

#### Purity

Water content

Anhydrous citric acid contains not more than 0,5 % water; citric acid monohydrate contains not more than 8,8 % water (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash

Not more than 0,05 % after calcination at 800  $\pm$  25 °C

Arsenic Lead

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 100 mg/kg, expressed as oxalic acid, after

Oxalates

drying

Readily carbonizable substances

Heat 1 g of powdered sample with 10 ml of 98 % minimum sulphuric acid in a water bath at 90 °C in the dark for one hour. Not more than a pale brown colour should be produced (Matching Fluid K)

# E 331 (i) MONOSODIUM CITRATE

**Synonyms** 

Monosodium citrate

Monobasic sodium citrate

Definition Chemical name Monosodium citrate Monosodium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic acid Chemical formula (a) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Na (anhydrous) (b) C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Na·H<sub>2</sub>O (monohydrate) Molecular weight (a) 214,11 (anhydrous) (b) 232,23 (monohydrate) Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Description Crystalline white powder or colourless crystals Identification A. Positive tests for citrate and for sodium Purity Determined by drying at 180 °C for four hours: Loss on drying — anhydrous: not more than 1,0 % - monohydrate: not more than 8,8 % Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after drying pH of a 1 % aqueous solution Between 3,5 and 3,8 Not more than 1 mg/kg Arsenic Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg E 331 (ii) DISODIUM CITRATE Disodium citrate **Synonyms** Dibasic sodium citrate **Definition** Chemical name Disodium citrate Disodium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic Disodium salt of citric acid with 1,5 molecules of water **Einecs** 205-623-3 Chemical formula  $C_6H_6O_7Na_2\cdot 1,5H_2O$ Molecular weight 263,11 Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Crystalline white powder or colourless crystals Description Identification A. Positive tests for citrate and for sodium Purity Loss on drying Not more than 13,0 % by drying at 180 °C for four hours Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after drying

Between 4,9 and 5,2

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

pH of a 1 % aqueous solution

Arsenic

Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Lead

# E 331 (iii) TRISODIUM CITRATE

**Synonyms** Trisodium citrate

Tribasic sodium citrate

Definition

Chemical name Trisodium citrate

> Trisodium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic acid Trisodium salt of citric acid, in anhydrous, dihydrate or

pentahydrate form

200-675-3 **Einecs** 

Chemical formula Anhydrous: C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub>Na<sub>3</sub>

> Hydrated:  $C_6H_5O_7Na_3\cdot nH_2O$  (n = 2 or 5)

Molecular weight 258,07 (anhydrous)

Not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Assay Description Crystalline white powder or colourless crystals

Identification

A. Positive tests for citrate and for

sodium

Purity

Loss on drying Determined by drying at 180 °C for four hours:

> — anhydrous: not more than 1,0 % — dihydrate: not more than 13,5 % - pentahydrate: not more than 30,3 %

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

pH of a 5 % aqueous solution Between 7,5 and 9,0 Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

# E 332 (i) MONOPOTASSIUM CITRATE

**Synonyms** Monopotassium citrate

Monobasic potassium citrate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Monopotassium citrate

Monopotassium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricar-

boxylic acid

Anhydrous monopotassium salt of citric acid

Einecs 212-753-4 Chemical formula  $C_6H_7O_7K$ Molecular weight 230,21

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Description

White, hygroscopic, granular powder or transparent

crystals

Identification

A. Positive tests for citrate and for

potassium

Purity

Not more than 1,0 % determined by drying at 180 °C for Loss on drying

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

pH of a 1 % aqueous solution Between 3,5 and 3,8

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Not more than 1 mg/kg Arsenic Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

#### E 332 (ii) TRIPOTASSIUM CITRATE

**Synonyms** Tripotassium citrate

Tribasic potassium citrate

Definition

Chemical name Tripotassium citrate

> Tripotassium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricar-

boxylic acid

Monohydrated tripotassium salt of citric acid

212-755-5 **Einecs** 

Chemical formula  $C_6H_5O_7K_3\cdot H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 324,42

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Description White, hygroscopic, granular powder or transparent crystals

Identification

Purity

A. Positive tests for citrate and for

potassium

Loss on drying Not more than 6,0 % determined by drying at 180 °C for

four hours

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

pH of a 5 % aqueous solution Between 7,5 and 9,0 Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

E 333 (i) MONOCALCIUM CITRATE

**Synonyms** Monocalcium citrate

Monobasic calcium citrate

Definition

Chemical name Monocalcium citrate

Monocalcium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricar-

boxylic acid

Monohydrate monocalcium salt of citric acid

(C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>7</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Ca·H<sub>2</sub>O Chemical formula

Molecular weight

Assay Content not less than 97,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Fine white powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for citrate and for

calcium

Purity

Not more than 7,0 % determined by drying at 180 °C for Loss on drying

four hours

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

pH of a 1 % aqueous solution Between 3,2 and 3,5 Fluoride Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

Carbonates Dissolving 1 g of calcium citrate in 10 ml 2 N hydro-

chloric acid must not liberate more than a few isolated

bubbles

E 333 (ii) DICALCIUM CITRATE

Synonyms Dicalcium citrate

Dibasic calcium citrate

Definition

Chemical name Dicalcium citrate

Dicalcium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic

acid

Trihydrated dicalcium salt of citric acid

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_7O_7)_2Ca_2\cdot 3H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 530,42

Assay Not less than 97,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Fine white powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for citrate and for

calcium

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 20,0 % determined by drying at 180 °C

for four hours

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

Fluoride Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

Carbonates Dissolving 1 g of calcium citrate in 10 ml 2 N hydro-

chloric acid must not liberate more than a few isolated

bubbles

E 333 (iii) TRICALCIUM CITRATE

Synonyms Tricalcium citrate

Tribasic calcium citrate

Definition

Chemical name Tricalcium citrate

Tricalcium salt of 2-hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic

acid

Tetrahydrated tricalcium salt of citric acid

**Einecs** 212-391-7

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_6O_7)_2Ca_3\cdot 4H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 570,51

Assay Not less than 97,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Fine white powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for citrate and for

calcium

Purity

Not more than 14,0 % determined by drying at 180 °C Loss on drying

for four hours

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

Fluoride Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

Carbonates Dissolving 1 g of calcium citrate in 10 ml 2 N hydro-

chloric acid must not liberate more than a few isolated

bubbles

E 334 L(+)-TARTARIC ACID

**Definition** 

Chemical name L-tartaric acid

> L-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioic acid d-α,β-dihydroxysuccinic acid

**Einecs** 201-766-0 Chemical formula  $C_4H_6O_6$ 

Molecular weight 150,09

Content not less than 99,5 % on the anhydrous basis Assay Description

Colourless or translucent crystalline solid or white crys-

talline powder

Identification

A. Melting range Between 168 °C and 170 °C

B. Positive test for tartrate

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (over P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, three hours)

Sulphated ash Not more than 1 000 mg/kg after calcination at 800  $\pm$ 

25 °C

 $[\alpha]_D^{20}$  between + 11,5 ° and + 13,5 ° Specific optical rotation of a 20 % w/v

aqueous solution

Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead

Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

E 335 (i) MONOSODIUM TARTRATE

**Synonyms** 

Monosodium salt of L-(+)-tartaric acid

Definition

Chemical name Monosodium salt of L-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioic acid

Monohydrated monosodium salt of L-(+)-tartaric acid

Chemical formula C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na·H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 194,05

Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Assay

Description Transparent colourless crystals

Identification

A. Positive tests for tartrate and for

sodium

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 10,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C

for four hours

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 335 (ii) DISODIUM TARTRATE

Definition

Chemical name Disodium L-tartrate

Disodium (+)-tartrate

Disodium (+)-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioic acid Dihydrated disodium salt of L-(+)-tartaric acid

**Einecs** 212-773-3

Chemical formula C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 230,8

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Transparent, colourless crystals

Identification

A. Positive tests for tartrate and for

sodium

B. Solubility tests 1 gram is insoluble in 3 ml of water. Insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 17,0 % determined by drying at 150 °C

for four hours

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

pH of a 1 % aqueous solution Between 7,0 and 7,5

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 336 (i) MONOPOTASSIUM TARTRATE

Synonyms Monobasic potassium tartrate

Definition

Chemical name Anhydrous monopotassium salt of L-(+)-tartaric acid

Monopotassium salt of L-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioic acid

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} \\ \textit{Molecular weight} \end{array} \hspace{0.2in} \begin{array}{c} C_4 H_5 O_6 K \\ 188,16 \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 98 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White crystalline or granulated powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for tartrate and for

potassium

B. Melting point 230 °C

Purity

pH of a 1 % aqueous solution 3

Loss on drying Not more than 1,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for

four hours

Oxalates

Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 336 (ii) DIPOTASSIUM TARTRATE

Synonyms Dibasic potassium tartrate

Definition

Chemical name Dipotassium salt of L-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioic acid

Dipotassium salt with half a molecule of water of L-(+)-

tartaric acid

**Einecs** 213-067-8

Chemical formula  $C_4H_4O_6K_2\cdot H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 235,2

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White crystalline or granulated powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for tartrate and for

potassium

Purity

pH of a 1 % aqueous solution Between 7,0 and 9,0

Loss on drying Not more than 4,0 % determined by drying at 150 °C for

four hours

Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 337 POTASSIUM SODIUM TARTRATE

Synonyms Potassium sodium L-(+)-tartrate

Rochelle salt Seignette salt

Definition

Chemical name Potassium sodium salt of L-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioic

acid

Potassium sodium L-(+)-tartrate

**Einecs** 206-156-8

Chemical formula C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub>KNa·4H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 282,23

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Colourless crystals or white crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for tartrate, for

potassium and for sodium

B. Solubility tests 1 gram is soluble in 1 ml of water, insoluble in ethanol

C. Melting range Between 70 and 80 °C

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 26,0 % and not less than 21,0 %

determined by drying at 150 °C for three hours

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Oxalates Not more than 100 mg/kg expressed as oxalic acid, after

drying

pH of 1 % aqueous solution

Arsenic

Lead

Between 6,5 and 8,5

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

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E 338 PHOSPHORIC ACID

Synonyms Orthophosphoric acid

Monophosphoric acid

**Definition** 

Chemical namePhosphoric acidEinecs231-633-2Chemical formulaH3PO4Molecular weight98,00

Assay Phosphoric acid is commercially available as an aqueous solution at variable concentrations. Content not less than

67,0 % and not more than 85,7 %.

Description Clear, colourless, viscous liquid

Identification

Purity

A. Positive tests for acid and for

phosphate

Volatile acids Not more than 10 mg/kg (as acetic acid)

Chlorides Not more than 200 mg/kg (expressed as chlorine)

Not more than 5 mg/kg (as NaNO<sub>3</sub>)
Sulphates

Not more than 1 500 mg/kg (as CaSO<sub>4</sub>)

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Note:

This specification refers to a 75 %

aqueous solution.

E 339 (i) MONOSODIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Monosodium monophosphate

Acid monosodium monophosphate

Monosodium orthophosphate

Monobasic sodium phosphate

Sodium dihydrogen monophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Sodium dihydrogen monophosphate

**Einecs** 231-449-2

Chemical formula Anhydrous: NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

Monohydrate: NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> · H<sub>2</sub>O Dihydrate: NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight Anhydrous: 119,98

Monohydrate: 138,00

Dihydrate: 156,01

Assay

After drying at 60 °C for one hour and then at 105 °C for four hours, contains not less than 97 % of NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

 $P_2O_5$  content Between 58,0 % and 60,0 % on the anhydrous basis Description A white odourless, slightly deliquescent powder, crystals

or granules

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol or ether

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 4,1 and 5,0

Purity

Loss on drying The anhydrous salt loses not more than 2,0 %, the

monohydrate not more than 15,0 %, and the dihydrate not more than 25 % when dried first at 60 °C for one

hour, then at 105 °C for four hours

Water-insoluble substances Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 339 (ii) DISODIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Disodium monophosphate

Secondary sodium phosphate
Disodium orthophosphate
Acid disodium phosphate

Definition

Chemical name Disodium hydrogen monophosphate

Disodium hydrogen orthophosphate

**Einecs** 231-448-7

Chemical formula Anhydrous: Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>

Hydrat:  $Na_2HPO_4 \cdot nH_2O$  (n = 2, 7 or 12)

Molecular weight 141,98 (anhydrous)

Assay After drying at 40 °C for three hours and subsequently

at 105 °C for five hours, contains not less than 98 % of

 $Na_2HPO_4$ 

 $P_2O_5$  content Between 49 % and 51 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Anhydrous disodium hydrogen phosphate is a white,

hygroscopic, odourless powder. Hydrated forms available include the dihydrate: a white crystalline, odourless solid; the heptahydrate: white, odourless, efflorescent crystals or granular powder; and the dode-cahydrate: white, efflorescent, odourless powder or

crystals

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

Between 8,4 and 9,6

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Purity

Loss on drying When dried at 40 °C for three hours and then at 105°C

for five hours, the losses in weight are as follows: anhydrous not more than 5,0 %, dihydrate not more than 22,0 %, heptahydrate not more than 50,0 %, dode-

cahydrate not more than 61,0 %

Water-insoluble substances Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 339 (iii) TRISODIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Sodium phosphate

Tribasic sodium phosphate

Trisodium orthophosphate

Definition

Trisodium phosphate is ob

Trisodium phosphate is obtained from aqueous solutions and crystallises in the anhydrous form and with 1/2, 1, 6, 8 or 12  $\rm H_2O$ . The dodecahydrate always crystallises from aqueous solutions with an excess of sodium

hydroxide. It contains molecule of NaOH

Chemical name Trisodium monophosphate

Trisodium phosphate

Trisodium orthophosphate

**Einecs** 231-509-8

Chemical formula Anhydrous: Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

Hydrated:  $Na_3PO_4 \cdot nH_2O$  (n = 1/2, 1, 6, 8, or 12)

Molecular weight 163,94 (anhydrous)

Assay Sodium phosphate anhydrous and the hydrated forms,

with the exception of the dodecahydrate, contain not less than 97,0 % of Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> calculated on the dried basis. Sodium phosphate dodecahydrate contains not less than 92,0 % of Na<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> calculated on the ignited

basis

 $P_2O_5$  content Between 40,5 % and 43,5 % on the anhydrous basis Description White odourless crystals, granules or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 11,5 and 12,5

Purity

Loss on ignition When dried at 120 °C for two hours and then ignited at

about 800 °C for 30 minutes, the losses in weight are as follows: anhydrous not more than 2,0 %, monohydrate not more than 11,0 %, dodecahydrate: between 45,0 %

and 58,0 %

Water insoluble substances Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 340 (i) MONOPOTASSIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Monobasic potassium phosphate

Monopotassium monophosphate

Potassium orthophosphate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Potassium dihydrogen phosphate

Monopotassium dihydrogen orthophosphate Monopotassium dihydrogen monophosphate

**Einecs** 231-913-4

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} & \textrm{KH}_2 \textrm{PO}_4 \\ \textit{Molecular weight} & \textrm{136,09} \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 98,0 % after drying at 105 °C for

four hours

 $P_2O_5$  content Between 51,0 % and 53,0 % on the anhydrous basis Description Odourless, colourless crystals or white granular or crys-

talline powder, hygroscopic

Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 4,2 and 4,8

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 2,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for

four hours

Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 340 (ii) DIPOTASSIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Dipotassium monophosphate

Secondary potassium phosphate Dipotassium acid phosphate Dipotassium orthophosphate Dibasic potassium phosphate

Definition

Chemical name Dipotassium hydrogen monophosphate

Dipotassium hydrogen phosphate Dipotassium hydrogen orthophosphate

Molecular weight 174,18

Assay Content not less than 98 % after drying at 105°C for

four hours

 $P_2O_5$  content

Description

Between 40,3 % and 41,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Colourless or white granular powder, crystals or masses;

deliquescent substance

Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 8,7 and 9,4

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 2,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for

our hours

Water-insoluble substances

Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Fluoride Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead Mercury Not more than 4 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 340 (iii) TRIPOTASSIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Potassium phosphate

Tribasic potassium phosphate

Tripotassium orthophosphate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Tripotassium monophosphate

Tripotassium phosphate

Tripotassium orthophosphate

**Einecs** 231-907-1

Chemical formula Anhydrous: K<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

Hydrated:  $K_3PO_4 \cdot nH_2O$  (n = 1 or 3)

Molecular weight 212,27 (anhydrous)

Assay Content not less than 97 % calculated on the ignited

basis

 $P_2O_5$  content Between 30,5 % and 33,0 % on the ignited basis

Description Colourless or white, odourless hygroscopic crystals or

granules. Hydrated forms available include the mono-

hydrate and trihydrate

Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility

Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 11,5 and 12,3

Purity

Loss on ignition Anhydrous: not more than 3,0 %; hydrated: not more

than 23,0 %. Determined by drying at 105 °C for one hour and then ignite at about 800 °C  $\pm$  25 °C for 30

ninutes

Water insoluble substances Not more than 0,2 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 341 (i) MONOCALCIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Monobasic calcium phosphate

Monocalcium orthophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Calcium dihydrogen phosphate

**Einecs** 231-837-1

Chemical formula Anhydrous: Ca(H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

Monohydrate: Ca(H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> · H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 234,05 (anhydrous)

252,08 (monohydrate)

Assay Content not less than 95 % on the dried basis

 $P_2O_5$  content Between 55,5 % and 61,1 % on the anhydrous basis Description Granular powder or white, deliquescent crystals or

granules

Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium and for

phosphate

B. CaO content Between 23,0 % and 27,5 % (anhydrous)

Between 19,0 % and 24,8 % (monohydrate)

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 14 % determined by drying at 105 °C for

four hours (anhydrous)

Not more than 17,5 % determined by drying at 60  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  for one hour, then at 105  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  for four hours (monohydrate)

Loss on ignition Not more than 17,5 % after ignition at 800 °C  $\pm$  25 °C

for 30 minutes (anhydrous)

Not more than 25,0 % determined by drying at 105 °C for one hour, then ignite at 800 °C  $\pm$  25 °C for 30

minutes (monohydrate)

Fluoride Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 341 (ii) DICALCIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Dibasic calcium phosphate

Dicalcium orthophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Calcium monohydrogen phosphate

Calcium hydrogen orthophosphate Secondary calcium phosphate

**Einecs** 231-826-1

Chemical formula Anhydrous: CaHPO<sub>4</sub>

Dihydrate: CaHPO<sub>4</sub> · 2H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 136,06 (anhydrous)

172,09 (dihydrate)

Assay

Dicalcium phosphate, after drying at 200 °C for three hours, contains not less than 98 % and not more than the equivalent of 102 % of CaHPO $_4$ 

 $P_2O_5$  content Description Between 50,0 % and 52,5 % on the anhydrous basis White crystals or granules, granular powder or powder

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

Sparingly soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

B. Solubility tests

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 8,5 % (anhydrous), or 26,5 % (dihydrate)

after ignition at 800 °C ± 25 °C for 30 minutes

Fluoride Not more than 50 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 341 (iii) TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms

Calcium phosphate, tribasic

Calcium orthophosphate

Pentacalcium hydroxy monophosphate

Calcium hydroxyapatite

Definition

Tricalcium phosphate consists of a variable mixture of calcium phosphates obtained from neutralisation of phosphoric acid with calcium hydroxide and having the approximate composition of  $10\text{CaO} \cdot 3P_2O_5 \cdot H_2O$ 

Chemical name

Pentacalcium hydroxy monophosphate

Tricalcium monophosphate

Einecs

235-330-6 (Pentacalcium hydroxy monophosphate)

231-840-8 (Calcium orthophosphate)

Chemical formula

 $Ca_5(PO_4)_3$  · OH or  $Ca_3(PO_4)_2$ 

Molecular weight

502 or 310

Assay

Content not less than 90 % calculated on the ignited

basis

 $P_2O_5$  content Description

Between 38,5 % and 48,0 % on the anhydrous basis A white, odourless powder which is stable in air

### Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

B. Solubility

Practically insoluble in water; insoluble in etanol, soluble in dilute hydrochloric and nitric acid

Purity

Loss on ignition

Not more than 8 % after ignition at 800 °C  $\pm$  25 °C, to

constant weight

Fluoride Not more than 50 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 385 CALCIUM DISODIUM ETHYLENEDIAMINETETRAACETATE

Synonyms Calcium disodium EDTA

Calcium disodium edetate

Definition

Chemical name N,N'-1,2-Ethanediylbis [N-(carboxymethyl)-glycinate]

[(4-)-O,O',O<sup>N</sup>,O<sup>N</sup>]calciate(2)-disodium

Calcium disodium ethylenediaminetetra acetate Calcium disodium (ethylenedinitrilo)tetra acetate

**Einecs** 200-529-9

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{12}O_8CaN_2Na_2\cdot 2H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 410,31

Assay Content not less than 97 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White, odourless crystalline granules or white to nearly white powder, slightly hygroscopic

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for calcium

B. Chelating activity to metal ions positive

C. pH of a 1 % solution between 6,5 and 7.5

Purity

Water content 5 to 13 % (Karl Fischer method)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

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Ethylene oxide may not be used for sterilising purposes in food additives

#### E 400 ALGINIC ACID

**Definition** Linear glycuronoglycan consisting mainly of  $\beta$ -(1-4)

linked D-mannuronic and  $\alpha$ -(1-4) linked L-guluronic acid units in pyranose ring form. Hydrophilic colloidal carbohydrate extracted by the use of dilute alkali from natural strains of various species of brown seaweeds

(Phaeophyceae)

**Einecs** 232-680-1

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_8O_6)_n$ 

Molecular weight 10 000—600 000 (typical average)

Assay Alginic acid yields, on the anhydrous basis, not less than

20 % and not more than 23 % of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), equivalent to not less than 91 % and not more than 104,5 % of alginic acid  $(C_6H_8O_6)_n$  (calculted on

equivalent weight basis of 200)

Description Alginic acid occurs in filamentous, grainy, granular and

powdered forms. It is a white to yellowish brown and

nearly odourless

Identification

A. Solubility

Insoluble in water and organic solvents, slowly soluble in solutions of sodium carbonate, sodium hydroxide and

trisodium phosphate

B. Calcium chloride precipitation test

To a 0,5 % solution of the sample in 1 M sodium hydroxide solution, add one fifth of its volume of a 2,5 % solution of calcium chloride. A voluminous, gelatingus precipitate is formed. This total distinguishes

tinous precipitate is formed. This test distinguishes alginic acid from acacia gum, sodium carboxymethyl

C. Ammonium sulphate precipitation test

cellulose, carboxymethyl starch, carrageenan, gelatin, gum ghatti, karaya gum, locust bean gum, methyl cellulose and tragacanth gum

To a 0,5 % solution of the sample in 1 M sodium hydroxide solution, add one half of its volume of a saturated solution of ammonium sulphate. No precipitate is formed. This test distinguishes alginic acid from agar, sodium carboxymethyl cellulose, carrageenan, deesterified pectin, gelatin, locust bean gum, methyl cellulose and starch

Dissolve as completely as possible 0,01 g of the sample by shaking with 0,15 ml of 0,1 N sodium hydroxide and add 1 ml of acid ferric sulphate solution. Within 5 minutes, a cherry-red colour develops that finally becomes deep purple

# Purity

D. Colour reaction

pH of a 3 % suspension Between 2,0 and 3,5

Loss on drying

Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Sulphated ash

Not more than 8 % on the anhydrous basis

Sodium hydroxide (1 M solution) Not more than 2 % on the anhydrous basis insoluble

matter

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total plate count

Yeast and moulds

Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram

Not more than 500 colonies per gram

E. coli

Negative in 5 g

Salmonella spp.

Negative in 10 g

#### E 401 SODIUM ALGINATE

# Definition

Chemical name Sodium salt of alginic acid

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_7NaO_6)_n$ 

Molecular weight 10 000-600 000 (typical average)

Assay Yields, on the anhydrous basis, not less than 18 % and not more than 21 % of carbon dioxide corresponding to not less than 90,8 % and not more than 106,0 % of sodium alginate (calculated on equivalent weight basis

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Description Nearly odourless, white to yellowish fibrous or granular powder

# Identification

A. Positive test for sodium and alginic acid

#### Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Water-insoluble matter Not more than 2 % on the anhydrous basis

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total plate count

Yeast and moulds

Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram

Not more than 500 colonies per gram

E. coli Negative in 5 g

Salmonella spp.

Negative in 10 g

#### E 402 POTASSIUM ALGINATE

Definition

Chemical name Potassium salt of alginic acid

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_7KO_6)_n$ 

Molecular weight 10 000-600 000 (typical average)

Assay Yields, on the anhydrous basis, not less than 16,5 % and

not more than 19,5 % of carbon dioxide corresponding to not less than 89,2 % and not more than 105,5 % of potassium alginate (calculated on an equivalent weight

basis of 238)

Description Nearly odourless, white to yellowish fibrous or granular

owder

Identification

A. Positive test for potassium and for alginic acid

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total plate count

Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram

Yeast and moulds

Not more than 500 colonies per gram

E. coli
Negative in 5 g
Salmonella spp.
Negative in 10 g

#### E 403 AMMONIUM ALGINATE

**Definition** 

Chemical name Ammonium salt of alginic acid

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_{11}NO_6)_n$ 

Molecular weight 10 000-600 000 (typical average)

Assay Yields, on the anhydrous basis, not less than 18 % and

not more than 21 % of carbon dioxide corresponding to not less than 88,7 % and not more than 103,6 % ammonium alginate (calculated on an equivalent

weight basis of 217)

Description White to yellowish fibrous or granular powder

Identification

A. Positive test for ammonium and alginic acid

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Sulphated ash

Not more than 7 % on the dried basis

Water-insoluble matter Not more than 2 % on the anhydrous basis

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total plate count

Yeast and moulds

Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram

Not more than 500 colonies per gram

E. coli

Salmonella spp.

Negative in 5 g

Negative in 10 g

#### E 404 CALCIUM ALGINATE

Synonyms Calcium salt of alginate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Calcium salt of alginic acid

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_7Ca_{1/2}O_6)_n$ 

Molecular weight 10 000-600 000 (typical average)

Assay Yields, on the anhydrous basis, not less than 18 % and

not more than 21 % carbon dioxide corresponding to not less than 89,6 % and not more than 104,5 % of calcium alginate (calculated on an equivalent weight basis of

219)

Description Nearly odourless, white to yellowish fibrous or granular

powder

Identification

A. Positive test for calcium and alginic

acid

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 15,0 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total plate count

Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram

Yeast and moulds

Not more than 500 colonies per gram

E. coli

Salmonella spp.

Negative in 5 g

Negative in 10 g

E 405 PROPANE-1,2-DIOL ALGINATE

Synonyms Hydroxypropyl alginate

1,2-propanediol ester of alginic acid

Propylene glycol alginate

Definition

Chemical name Propane-1,2-diol ester of alginic acid; varies in compo-

sition according to its degree of esterification and the percentage of free and neutralised carboxyl groups in

the molecule

Chemical formula  $(C_9H_{14}O_7)_n$ 

(esterified)

Molecular weight 10 000—600 000 (typical average)

Assay Yields, on the anhydrous basis, not less than 16 % and

not more than 20 % of CO<sub>2</sub> of carbon dioxide

Description Nearly odourless, white to yellowish brown fibrous or

granular powder

Identification

A. Positive test for 1,2-propanediol and

alginic acid after hydrolysis

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 20 % (105 °C, 4 hours)

Total propane-1,2-diol content Not less than 15 % and not more than 45 %

Free propane-1,2-diol content Not more than 15 %

Water-insoluble matter Not more than 2 % on the anhydrous basis

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total plate count

Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram

Yeast and moulds

Not more than 500 colonies per gram

E. coli
Negative in 5 g
Salmonella spp.
Negative in 10 g

#### E 406 AGAR

Synonyms Gelose

Japan agar
Bengal, Ceylon, Chinese or Japanese isinglass

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Definition

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Description

Chemical name

calcium, magnesium, potassium or sodium. It is extracted from certain natural strains of marine algae of the families *Gelidiaceae* und *Sphaerococcaceae* and related red algae of the class *Rhodophyceae* 

**Einecs** 232-6

The threshold gel concentration should not be higher than 0.25 %

Agar is a hydrophilic colloidal polysaccharide consisting mainly of D-galactose units. On about every tenth Dgalactopyranose unit one of the hydroxyl groups is esterified with sulphuric acid which is neutralised by

Agar is odourless or has a slight characteristic odour. Unground agar usually occurs in bundles consisting of thin, membranous, agglutinated strips, or in cut, flaked or granulated forms. It may be light yellowish-orange, yellowish-grey to pale yellow, or colourless. It is tough when damp, brittle when dry. Powdered agar is white to yellowish-white or pale yellow. When examined in water under a microscope, the agar appears granular and somewhat filamentous. A few fragments of the spicules of sponges and a few frustules of diatoms may be present. In chloral hydrate solution, the powdered agar appears more transparent than in water, more or less granular, striated, angular and occasionally contains frustules of diatoms. Gel strength may be standardised by the addition of dextrose and maltodextrines

Identification

A. Solubility

Purity

Loss on drying

Ash

Acid-insoluble ash (insoluble in approxi-

mately 3N Hydrochloric acid)
Insoluble matter (in hot water)

Starch

Gelatin and other proteins

Insoluble in cold water; soluble in boiling water

Not more than 22 % (105 °C, 5 hours)

Not more than 6,5 % on the anhydrous basis determined at 550  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ 

Not more than 0,5 % determined at 550 °C on the anhydrous basis

Not more than 1,0 %

or sucrose

Not detectable by the following method: to a 1 in 10 solution of the sample add a few drops of iodine solution. No blue colour is produced

Dissolve about 1 g of agar in 100 ml of boiling water and allow to cool of about 50  $^{\circ}$ C. To 5 ml of the solution add 5 ml of trinitrophenol solution (1 g of

anhydrous trinitrophenol/100 ml of hot water). No turbidity appears within 10 minutes

Water absorption

Place 5 g to agar in a 100 ml graduated cylinder, fill to the mark with water, mix and allow to stand at about 25 °C for 24 hours. Pour the contents of the cylinder through moistened glass wool, allowing the water to drain into a second 100 ml graduated cylinder. Not more than 75 ml of water is obtained

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

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#### E 407 CARRAGEENAN

Synonyms Products of commerce are sold under different names such as:

Irish moss gelose

Eucheuman (from Eucheuma spp.) Iridophycan (from Iridaea spp.) Hypnean (from Hypnea spp.)

Furcellaran or Danish agar (from Furcellaria fastigiata)

Carrageenan (from Chondrus and Gigartina spp.)

Carrageenan is obtained by aqueous extraction of natural strains of seaweeds of Gigartinaceae, Solieriaceae, Hypneaeceae and Furcellariaceae, families of the class Rhodophyceae (red seaweeds). No organic precipitant shall be used other than methanol, ethanol and propane-2-ol. Carrageenan consists chiefly of the potassium, sodium, magnesium and calcium salts of polysaccharide sulphate esters which, on hydrolysis, yield galactose and 3,6-anhydrogalactose. Carrageenan shall not be hydrolysed or otherwise chemically degraded

232-524-2

Yellowish to colourless, coarse to fine powder which is practically odourless

Definition

**EINECS** 

Description

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for galactose, for anhydrogalactose and for sulphate

#### Purity

Methanol, ethanol, propane-2-ol content

Viscosity of a 1,5 % solution at 75 °C

Loss on drying

Sulphate

Not less than 5 mPa.s

Not more than 12 % (105 °C, four hours)

Not more than 0,1 % singly or in combination

Not less than 15 % and not more than 40 % on the dried basis (as SO<sub>4</sub>)

Not less than 15 % and not more than 40 % determined on the dried basis at 550 °C

Not more than 1 % on the dried basis (insoluble in 10 % hydrochloric acid)

Not more than 2 % on the dried basis (insoluble in 1 % v/v sulphuric acid)

Low molecular weight carrageenan Not more than 5 %

(Molecular weight fraction below 50 kDa)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Ash

Acid-insoluble matter

Acid-insoluble ash

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Total plate count Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram Yeast and moulds Not more than 300 colonies per gram

E coli Negative in 5 g Salmonella spp. Negative in 10 g

#### E 407a PROCESSED EUCHEUMA SEAWEED

Synonyms

PES (acronym for processed eucheuma seaweed)

Definition

Processed eucheuma seaweed is obtained by aqueous alkaline (KOH) treatment of the natural strains of seaweeds Eucheuma cottonii and Eucheuma spinosum, of the class Rhodophyceae (red seaweeds) to remove impurities and by fresh water washing and drying to obtain the product. Further purification may be achieved by washing with methanol, ethanol or propane-2-ol and drying. The product consist chiefly of the potassium salt of polysaccharide sulphate esters which, on hydrolysis, yield galactose and 3,6-anhydrogalactose. Sodium, calcium and magnesium salts of the polysaccharide sulphate esters are present in lesser amounts. Up to 15 % algal cellulose is also present in the product. The carrageenan in processed eucheuma seaweed shall not be hydrolysed or otherwise chemically degraded

Description

Tan to yellowish, coarse to fine powder which is practically odourless

#### Identification

Positive tests for galactose, for anhydrogalactose and for sulphate

B. Solubility

Forms cloudy viscous suspensions in water. Insoluble in

# Purity

Methanol, ethanol, propane-2-ol content

Viscosity of a 1,5 % solution at 75 °C

Loss on drying

Acid-insoluble ash

Acid-insoluble matter

Sulphate

Ash

Not more than 0,1 % singly or in combination

Not less than 5 mPa.s

Not more than 12 % (105 °C, four hours)

Not less than 15 % and not more than 40 % on the dried basis (as SO<sub>4</sub>)

Not less than 15 % and not more than 40 % determined on the dried basis at 550 °C

Not more than 1 % on the dried basis (insoluble in 10 % hydrochloric acid)

> Not less than 8 % and not more than 15 % on the dried basis (insoluble in 1 % v/v sulphuric acid)

Low molecular weight carrageenan weight fraction

(Molecular below 50 kDa)

Arsenic Lead Mercury

Cadmium

Total plate count Yeast and moulds

E. coli

Salmonella spp.

Not more than 5 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram Not more than 300 colonies per gram

Negative in 5 g Negative in 10 g

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#### E410 LOCUST BEAN GUM

Synonyms

Carob bean gum Algaroba gum

Definition

Locust bean gum is the ground endosperm of the seeds of the natural strains of carob tree, Cerationia siliqua (L.) Taub. (family Leguminosae). Consists mainly of a high molecular weight hydrocolloidal polysaccharide, composed of galactopyranose and mannopyranose units combined through glycosidic linkages, which may be described chemically as galactomannan

Molecular weight

50 000-3 000 000

**Einecs** 

232-541-5

Assay

Galactomannan content not less than 75 %

Description

White to yellowish-white, nearly odourless powder

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for galactose mannose

B. Microscopic examination

Place some ground sample in an aqueous solution containing 0,5 % iodine and 1 % potassium iodide on a glass slide and examine under microscope. Locust bean gum contains long stretched tubiform cells, separated or slightly interspaced. Their brown contents are much less regularly formed in guar gum. Guar gum shows close groups of round to pear shaped cells. Their

contents are yellow to brown

C. Solubility

Soluble in hot water, insoluble in ethanol

#### Purity

Loss on drying

Ash

Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 5 hours)

Not more than 1,2 % determined at 800 °C

Protein (N  $\times$  6,25)

Not more than 7 % Not more than 4 %

Acid-insoluble matter Starch

Not detectable by the following method: to a 1 in 10 solution of the sample add a few drops of iodine

solution. No blue colour is produced

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Ethanol and propane-2-ol Not more than 1 %, single or in combination

# E412 GUAR GUM

Synonyms

Gum cyamopsis

Definition

Guar flour

Guar gum is the ground endosperm of the seeds of natural strains of the guar plant, Cyamopsis tetragonolobus (L.) Taub. (family Leguminosae). Consists mainly of a high molecular weight hydrocolloidal polysaccharide composed of galactopyranose and mannopyranose units combined through glycosidic linkages, which may be described chemically as galactomannan

**Einecs** 

232-536-0

Molecular weight

50 000-8 000 000

Assay

Galactomannan content not less than 75 %

Description

A white to yellowish-white, nearly odourless powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for galactose and for

mannose B. Solubility

Soluble in cold water

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 5 hours)

Ash Not more than 1,5 % determined at 800 °C

Acid-insoluble matter Not more than 7 % Protein (N  $\times$  6,25) Not more than 10 %

Starch Not detectable by the following method: to a 1 in 10

solution of the sample add a few drops of iodine

solution. (No blue colour is produced)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 20 mg/kg

E413 TRAGACANTH

Definition

Synonyms Tragacanth gum

Tragant

Tragacanth is a dried exudation obtained from the stems and branches of natural strains of *Astragalus gummifer* Labillardiere and other Asiatic species of *Astragalus* (family *Leguminosae*). It consists mainly of high molecular weight polysaccharides (galactoarabans and acidic polysaccharides) which, on hydrolysis, yield galacturonic acid, galactose, arabinose, xylose and fucose. Small amounts of rhamnose and of glucose (derived from traces of starch and/or cellulose) may also be present

Molecular weight Approximately 8 000 000

**Einecs** 232-252-5

Description

Unground Tragacanth gum occurs as flattened, lamellated, straight or curved fragments or as spirally twisted pieces 0,5-2,5 mm thick and up to 3 cm in length. It is white to pale yellow in colour but some pieces may have a red tinge. The pieces are horny in texture, with a short fracture. It is odourless and solutions have an insipid mucilaginous taste. Powdered tragacanth is white to pale yellow or pinkish brown (pale

tan) in colour

Identification

A. Solubility

1 g of the sample in 50 ml of water swells to form a smooth, stiff, opalescent mucilage; insoluble in ethanol and does not swell in 60 % (w/v) aqueous ethanol

Boil 1 g with 20 ml of water until a mucilage is formed.

Purity

Negative test for Karaya gum

Add 5 ml of hydrochloric acid and again boil the mixture for five minutes. No permanent pink or red colour develops

Not more than 16 % (105 °C, 5 hours)

Loss on drying

Not more than 16 % (105 °C,

Not more than 4 %

Acid insoluble ash
Acid insoluble matter

Arsenic

Not more than 0,5 %
Not more than 2 %
Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Salmonella spp.

Not more than 20 mg/kg

Negative in 10 g

E. coli

Negative in 10 g

Negative in 5 g

#### **E414 ACACIA GUM**

Synonyms Gum arabic

#### Definition

Identification

Total ash

Purity

Acacia gum is a dried exudation obtained from the stems and branches of natural strains of Acacia senegal (L) Willdenow or closely related species of Acacia (family Leguminosae). It consists mainly of high molecular weight polysaccharides and their calcium, magnesium and potassium salts, which on hydrolysis yield arabinose, galactose, rhamnose and glucuronic acid

Molecular weight Approximately 350 000

**Einecs** 232-519-5

Description Unground acacia gum occurs as white or yellowishwhite spheroidal tears of varying sizes or as angular fragments and is sometimes mixed with darker fragments. It is also available in the form of white to

yellowish-white flakes, granules, powder or spray-dried

material.

A. Solubility 1 g dissolves in 2 ml of cold water forming a solution which flows readily and is acid to litmus, insoluble in

ethanol

Not more than 17 % (105 °C, 5 hours) for granular and Loss on drying not more than 10 % (105 °C, 4 hours) for spray-dried

material

Not more than 4 % Acid insoluble ash Not more than 0,5 % Acid insoluble matter Not more than 1 %

Boil a 1 in 50 solution of the gum and cool. To 5 ml Starch or dextrin add 1 drop of iodine solution. No bluish or reddish

colours are produced

Tannin To 10 ml of a 1 in 50 solution add about 0,1 ml of ferric chloride solution (9 g FeCl<sub>3</sub>.6H<sub>2</sub>O made up to 100 ml

with water). No blackish colouration or blackish preci-

pitate is formed

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Hydrolysis products Mannose, xylose and galacturonic acid are absent

(determined by chromatography)

Salmonella spp. Negative in 10 g

E. coli Negative in 5 g

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# E415 XANTHAN GUM

#### Definition

Xanthan gum is a high molecular weight polysaccharide gum produced by a pure-culture fermentation of a carbohydrate with natural strains of Xanthomonas campestris, purified by recovery with ethanol or propan-2-ol, dried and milled. It contains D-glucose and D-mannose as the dominant hexose units, along with D-glucuronic acid and pyruvic acid, and is prepared as the sodium, potassium or calcium salt. Its solutions are neutral

Molecular weight Approximately 1 000 000

Einecs 234-394-2

Yields, on dried basis, not less than 4,2 % and not more Assay than 5 % of  ${\rm CO_2}$  corresponding to between 91 % and

108 % of xanthan gum

Description Cream-coloured powder

# Identification

A. Solubility

Soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

#### Purity

Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>hours) Loss on drying

Total ash Not more than 16 % on the anhydrous basis determined

at 650 °C after drying at 105 °C for four hours

Pyruvic acid Not less than 1,5 % Nitrogen Not more than 1,5 %

Ethanol and propan-2-ol Not more than 500 mg/kg singly or in combination

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

Total plate count Not more than 5 000 colonies per gram Yeast and mould Not more than 300 colonies per gram

E. coli Absent in 5 g Salmonella spp. Absent in 10 g

Xanthomonas campestris Viable cells absent in 1 g

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#### E416 KARAYA-GUM

Katilo Synonyms

Kadaya

Gum sterculia Sterculia

Karaya, gum karaya

Kullo Kuterra

**Definition** Karaya gum is a dried exudation from the stems and branches of natural strains of: Sterculia urens Roxburgh and other

species of Sterculia (family Sterculiaceae) or from Cochlospermum gossypium A.P. De Candolle or other species of Cochlospermum (family Bixaceae). It consists mainly of high molecular weight acetylated polysaccharides, which on hydrolysis yield galactose, rhamnose, and galacturonic acid, together with minor amounts of glucuronic acid

232-539-4 Einecs

Karaya gum occurs in tears of variable size and in broken Description

irregular pieces having a characteristic semi-crystalline appearance. It is pale yellow to pinkish brown in colour, translucent and horny. Powdered karaya gum is a pale grey to pinkish brown. The gum has a distinctive odour of acetic

acid

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in ethanol

B. Swelling in ethanol solution Karaya gum swells in 60 % ethanol distinguishing it

from other gums

Purity

Not more than 20 % (105 °C, 5 hours) Loss on drying

Not more than 8 % Total ash Acid insoluble ash Not more than 1 % Acid insoluble matter Not more than 3 %

Volatile acid Not less than 10 % (as acetic acid)

Starch Not detectable

Not more than 3 mg/kg Arsenic Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Salmonella spp. Negative in 10 g Negative in 5 g E. coli

#### E417 TARA GUM

Definition

Tara gum is obtained by grinding the endosperm of the seeds of natural strains of *Caesalpinia spinosa* (family *Leguminosae*). It consists chiefly of polysaccharides of high molecular weight composed mainly of galactomannans. The principal component consists of a linear chain of (1-4)- $\beta$ -D-mannopyranose units with  $\alpha$ -D-galactopyranose units attached by (1-6) linkages. The ratio of mannose to galactose in tara gum is 3:1. (In locust bean gum this ratio is 4:1 and in guar gum 2:1)

**Einecs** 254-409-6

Description A white to white-yellow odourless powder

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water

Insoluble in ethanol

B. Gel formation To an aqueous solution of the sample add small amounts

of sodium borate. A gel is formed

Purity

Loss on drying

Ash

Not more than 15 %

Not more than 1,5 %

Not more than 2 %

Protein Not more than 3,5 % (factor N x 5,7)

Starch Not detectable

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 20 mg/kg

### E418 GELLAN GUM

Definition

Gellan gum is a high molecular weight polysaccharide gum produced by a pure culture fermentation of a carbohydrate by natural strains of *Pseudomonas elodea*, purified by recovery with isopropyl alcohol, dried, and milled. The high molecular weight polysaccharide is principally composed of a tetrasaccharide repeating unit of one rhamnose, one glucuronic acid, and two glucoses, and substituted with acyl (glyceryl and acetyl) groups as the O-glycosidically linked esters. The glucuronic acid is neutralised to a mixed potassium, sodium, calcium, and magnesium salt

**Einecs** 275-117-5

Molecular weight Approximately 500 000

Assay Yields, on the dried basis, not less than 3,3 % and not

more than 6.8 % of  $CO_2$ 

Description An off-white powder

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water, forming a viscous solution.

Insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 15 % after drying (105 °C, 2½ hours)

Nitrogen

Propane-2-ol

Arsenic

Lead

Mot more than 3 %

Not more than 750 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total plate count

Not more than 10 000 colonies per gram

Yeast and mould

Not more than 400 colonies per gram

E. coli

Negative in 5 g

Salmonella spp.

Negative in 10 g

#### E 422 GLYCEROL

Synonyms Glycerin
Glycerine

Definition

Chemical names 1,2,3-propanetriol

Glycerol

Trihydroxypropane

Einecs200-289-5Chemical formula $C_3H_8O_3$ Molecular weight92,10

Assay Content not less than 98 % of glycerol on the anhydrous

oasis

Description Clear, colourless hygroscopic syrupy liquid with not

more than a slight characteristic odour, which is

neither harsh nor disagreeable

Identification

A. Acrolein formation on heating

Heat a few drops of the sample in a test tube with about 0,5 g of potassium bisulphate. The characteristic pungent

vapours of acrolein are evolved

B. Specific gravity (25/25 °C)

Not less than 1,257

C. Refractive index [n]D<sup>20</sup>

Between 1,471 and 1,474

Purity

Water Not more than 5 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash Not more than 0.01 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Butanetriols Not more than 0,2 %

Acrolein, glucose and ammonium

compounds

Heat a mixture of 5 ml of glycerol and 5 ml of potassium hydroxide solution (1 in 10) at 60  $^{\circ}$ C for

five minutes. It neither becomes yellow nor emits an odour of ammonia

Fatty acids and esters

Not more than 0,1 % calculated as butyric acid

Chlorinated compounds Not more than 30 mg/kg (as chlorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

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#### E 431 POLYOXYETHYLENE (40) STEARATE

Synonyms Polyoxyl (40) stearate

polyoxyethylene (40) monostearate

**Definition**A mixture of the mono- and diesters of edible

commercial stearic acid and mixed polyoxyethylene diols (having an average polymer length of about 40

oxyethylene units) together with free polyol

Assay Content not less than 97,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Cream-coloured flakes or waxy solid at 25 °C with a

faint odour

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#### Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water, ethanol, methanol and ethyl acetate.

Insoluble in mineral oil

B. Congealing range 39 °C — 44 °C

C. Infrared absorption spectrum Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyox-

yethylated polyol

Purity

Water Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer method)

Acid value Not more than 1

Saponification value Not less than 25 and not more than 35 Hydroxyl value Not less than 27 and not more than 40

1,4-dioxane

Ethylene oxide

Ethylene glycols (mono- and di-)

Arsenic

Lead

Mercury

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 0,2 mg/kg

Not more than 0,25 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 432 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOLAURATE (POLYSORBATE 20)

Synonyms Polysorbate 20

Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monolaurate

**Definition**A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its mono-

and dianhydrides with edible commercial lauric acid and condensed with approximately 20 moles of ethylene

Assay oxide per mole of sorbitol and its anhydrides

Content not less than 70 % of oxyethylene

Content not less than 70 % of oxyethylene groups, equivalent to not less than 97,3 % of polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monolaurate on the anhydrous basis

Description A lemon to amber-coloured oily liquid at 25 °C with a

faint characteristic odour

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water, ethanol, methanol, ethyl acetate and

dioxane.

Insoluble in mineral oil and petroleum ether

yethylated polyol

Purity

Water Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer method)

Acid value Not more than 2

Saponification value Not less than 40 and not more than 50 Hydroxyl value Not less than 96 and not more than 108

1,4-Dioxane Not more than 5 mg/kg Free ethylene oxide Not more than 1 mg/kg Ethylene glycols (mono- and di-) Not more than 0,25 % Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 433 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOOLEATE (POLYSORBATE 80)

Definition

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Description

Identification

A. Solubility

B. Infrared absorption spectrum

Purity

Water

Acid value

Saponification value Hydroxyl value

1,4-dioxane Ethylene oxide Ethylene glycols (mono- and di-)

Arsenic Lead

Mercury Cadmium Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monooleate

A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its monoand dianhydrides with edible commercial oleic acid and condensed with approximately 20 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of sorbitol and its anhydrides

Content not less than 65 % of oxyethylene groups, equivalent to not less than 96,5 % of polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monooleate on the anhydrous basis

A lemon to amber-coloured oily liquid at 25 °C with a faint characteristic odour

Soluble in water, ethanol, methanol, ethyl acetate and toluene. Insoluble in mineral oil and petroleum ether

Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyoxyethylated polyol

Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer method)

Not more than 2 Not less than 45 and not more than 55

Not less than 45 and not more than 80 Not less than 65 and not more than 80

Not more than 0,2 mg/kg Not more than 0,25 % Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

#### E 434 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOPALMITATE (POLYSORBATE 40)

Synonyms

Definition

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Description

Identification

A. Solubility

B. Infrared absorption spectrum

Purity

Water

Lead

Acid value

Saponification value

Hydroxyl value

1,4-dioxane Ethylene oxide Ethylene glycols (mono- and di-)

Ethylene glycols (mono- and di Arsenic

Polysorbate 40

Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monopalmitate

A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its monoand dianhydrides with edible commercial palmitic acid and condensed with approximately 20 moles of ethylene oxide per mole of sorbitol and its anhydrides

Content not less than 66 % of oxyethylene groups, equivalent to not less than 97 % of polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monopalmitate on the anhydrous basis

A lemon to orange-coloured oily liquid or semi-gel at 25  $^{\circ}$ C with a faint characteristic odour

Soluble in water, ethanol, methanol, ethyl acetate and acetone. Insoluble in mineral oil

Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyoxyethylated polyol

Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer method)

Not more than 2

Not less than 41 and not more than 52 Not less than 90 and not more than 107

Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 0,2 mg/kg Not more than 0,25 % Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 435 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN MONOSTEARATE (POLYSORBATE 60)

Synonyms Polysorbate 60

Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monostearate

Definition

A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its monoand dianhydrides with edible commercial stearic acid
and condensed with approximately 20 moles of

ethylene oxide per mole of sorbitol and its anhydrides

Content not less than 65 % of oxyethylene groups, equivalent to not less than 97 % of polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan monostearate on the anhydrous basis

Description A lemon to orange-coloured oily liquid or semi-gel at 25 °C

with a faint characteristic odour

Identification

Assay

A. Solubility Soluble in water, ethyl acetate and toluene. Insoluble in

mineral oil and vegetable oils

yethylated polyol

Purity

Water Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer method)

Acid value Not more than 2

Saponification value Not less than 45 and not more than 55 Hydroxyl value Not less than 81 and not more than 96

1,4-Dioxane Not more than 5 mg/kg Free ethylene oxide Not more than 1 mg/kg Ethylene glycols (mono- and di-) Not more than 0,25 % Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb)

#### E 436 POLYOXYETHYLENE SORBITAN TRISTEARATE (POLYSORBATE 65)

Synonyms Polysorbate 65

Polyoxyethylene (20) sorbitan tristearate

Definition

A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its monoand dianhydrides with edible commercial stearic acid
and condensed with approximately 20 moles of
ethylene oxide per mole of sorbitol and its anhydrides

Assay Content not less than 46 % of oxyethylene groups, equivalent to not less than 96 % of polyoxyethylene

(20) sorbitan tristearate on the anhydrous basis

Description A tan-coloured, waxy solid at 25 °C with a faint char-

acteristic odour

Identification

A. Solubility Dispersible in water. Soluble in mineral oil, vegetal oils,

petroleum ether, acetone, ether, dioxane, ethanol and

methanol

B. Congealing range 29 — 33 °C

C. Infrared absorption spectrum Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyox-

yethylated polyol

Purity

Water Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer method)

Acid value Not more than 2

Saponification value Not less than 88 and not more than 98 Hydroxyl value Not less than 40 and not more than 60

1,4-dioxaneNot more than 5 mg/kgEthylene oxideNot more than 0,2 mg/kgEthylene glycols (mono- and di-)Not more than 0,25 %ArsenicNot more than 3 mg/kgLeadNot more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

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#### E 440 (i) PECTIN

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Purity

Definition

Pectin consists mainly of the partial methyl esters of polygalacturonic acid and their ammonium, sodium, potassium and calcium salts. It is obtained by extraction

in an aqueous medium of natural strains of appropriate edible plant material, usually citrus fruits or apples. No organic precipitant shall be used other than methanol,

ethanol and propane-2-ol

Assay Content not less than 65 % of galacturonic acid on the ash-free and anhydrous basis after washing with acid and

232-553-0

alcohol

Description White, light yellow, light grey or light brown powder

 Identification
 Soluble in water forming a colloidal, opalescent solution.

Insoluble in ethanol

Loss on drying Not more than 12 % (105 °C, 2 hours)

Acid insoluble ash Not more than 1 % (insoluble in approximately 3N

hydrochloric acid)

Sulphur dioxide Not more than 50 mg/kg on the anhydrous basis

Nitrogen content Not more than 1,0 % after washing with acid and

ethano

Free methanol, ethanol and propane-2-ol Not more than 1 %, singly or in combination, on the

anhydrous basis

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 20 mg/kg

E 440 (ii) AMIDATED PECTIN

**Definition** 

Assay

esters and amides of polygalacturonic acid and their ammonium, sodium, potassium and calcium salts. It is obtained by extraction in an aqueous medium of appropriate natural strains of edible plant material, usually citrus fruits or apples and treatment with ammonia

> be used other than methanol, ethanol and propane-2-ol Content not less than 65 % of galacturonic acid on the ash-free and anhydrous basis after washing with acid and

under alkaline conditions. No organic precipitant shall

Amidated pectin consists mainly of the partial methyl

alcohol

Description White, light yellow, light greyish or light brownish

powder

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water forming a colloidal, opalescent solution.

Insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 12 % (105 °C, 2 hours)

Acid-insoluble ash Not more than 1 % (insoluble in approximately 3N

hydrochloric acid)

Degree of amidation Not more than 25 % of total carboxyl groups
Sulphur dioxide residue Not more than 50 mg/kg on the anhydrous basis

Nitrogen content Not more than 2,5 % after washing with acid and

ethanol

Free methanol, ethanol and propane-2-ol Not more than 1 % single or in combination, on a

volatile matter-free basis

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 20 mg/kg

#### E 442 AMMONIUM PHOSPHATIDES

Synonyms Ammonium salts of phosphatidic acid, mixed ammonium salts of phoshorylated glycerides

**Definition**A mixture of the ammonium compounds of phosphatidic

acids derived from edible fat and oil (usually partially hardened rapeseed oil). One or two or three glyceride moieties may be attached to phosphorus. Moreover, two phosphorus esters may be linked together as phos-

phatidyl phosphatides

Assay

The phosphorus content is not less than 3 % and not more than 3,4 % by weight; the ammonium content is not less than 1,2 % and not more than 1,5 % (calculated)

as N)

Description Unctuous semi-solid

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in fats. Insoluble in water. Partially soluble in

ethanol and in acetone

B. Positive tests for glycerol, for fatty acid and for phosphate

Purity

Petroleum ether insoluble matter

Arsenic

Not more than 2,5 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 444 SUCROSE ACETATE ISOBUTYRATE

Synonyms SAI

**Definition** Sucrose acetate isobutyrate is a mixture of the reaction

products formed by the esterification of food grade sucrose with acetic acid anhydride and isobutyric anhydride, followed by distillation. The mixture contains all possible combinations of esters in which

the molar ratio of acetate to butyrate is about 2:6

**Einecs** 204-771

Chemical name Sucrose diacetate hexaisobutyrate

Chemical formulae  $C_{40}H_{62}O_{19}$ 

832-856 (approximate), C<sub>40</sub>H<sub>62</sub>O<sub>19</sub>: 846,9 Molecular weight

Assay Content not less than 98,8 % and not more than 101,9 %

of  $C_{40}H_{62}O_{19}$ 

A pale straw-coloured liquid, clear and free of sediment Description

and having a bland odour

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water. Soluble in most organic solvents

 $[n]_{D}^{40}$ : 1,4492 - 1,4504 B. Refractive index  $[d]_{D}^{25}$ : 1,141 - 1,151 C. Specific gravity

Purity

Triacetin Not more than 0,1 % Acid value Not more than 0,2

Not less than 524 and not more than 540 Saponification value

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 5 mg/kg

#### E 445 GLYCEROL ESTERS OF WOOD ROSIN

**Synonyms** 

Definition

Ester gum

A complex mixture of tri- and diglycerol esters of resin acids from wood rosin. The rosin is obtained by the solvent extraction of aged pine stumps followed by a liquid-liquid solvent refining process. Excluded from these specifications are substances derived from gum rosin, and exudate of living pine trees, and substances derived from tall oil rosin, a by-product of kraft (paper) pulp processing. The final product is composed of approximately 90 % resin acids and 10 % neutrals (non-acidic compounds). The resin acid fraction is a complex mixture of isomeric diterpenoid monocarboxylic acids having the empirical molecular formula of  $C_{20}H_{30}O_2$ , chiefly abietic acid. The substance is purified by steam stripping or by countercurrent steam

Description

Hard, yellow to pale amber-coloured solid

Identification

A. Solubility

B. Infrared absorption spectrum

Purity

Specific gravity of solution

solution in d-limonene (97 %, boilding point 175,5-176 °C, d<sup>20</sup><sub>4</sub>: 0,84)

[d]<sup>20</sup><sub>25</sub> not less than 0,935 when determined in a 50 %

Insoluble in water, soluble in acetone

Characteristic of the compound

Between 82 °C and 90 °C

Ring and ball softening range

Acid value Hydroxyl value

Not less than 3 and not more than 9 Not less than 15 and not more than 45

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

Test for absence of tall oil rosin (sulphur

When sulphur-containing organic compounds are heated in the presence of sodium formate, the sulphur is converted to hydrogen sulphide which can readily be detected by the use of lead acetate paper. A positive

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# test indicates the use of tall oil rosin instead of wood rosin

# E 450 (i) DISODIUM DIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Disodium dihydrogen diphosphate

Disodium dihydrogen pyrophosphate

Sodium acid pyrophosphate

Disodium pyrophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Disodium dihydrogen diphosphate

Einecs231-835-0Chemical formulaNa2H2P2O7Molecular weight221,94

Assay Content not less than 95 % of disodium diphosphate.

 $P_2O_5$  Content Not less than 63,0 % and not more than 64,5 %

Description White powder or grains

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility Soluble in water

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 3,7 and 5,0

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (105 °C, four hours)

Water-insoluble matter Not more than 1 %

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 450 (ii) TRISODIUM DIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Acid trisodium pyrophosphate

Trisodium monohydrogen diphosphate

Definition

**Einecs** 238-735-6

Chemical formula Monohydrate: Na<sub>3</sub>HP<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> · H<sub>2</sub>O

 $Anhydrous:\ Na_3HP_2O_7$ 

Molecular weight Monohydrate: 261,95

Anhydrous: 243,93

Assay Content not less than 95 % on the anhydrous basis  $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 57 % and not more than 59 %

Description White powder or grains, occurs anhydrous or as a mono-

hydrate

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for

phosphate

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B. Soluble in water

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 6,7 and 7,5

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 4,5 % on the anhydrous compound

Not more than 11,5 % on the monohydrous basis

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (105 °C, four hours)

Water-insoluble matter Not more than 0,2 %

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 450 (iii) TETRASODIUM DIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Tetrasodium pyrophosphate

Sodium pyrophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Tetrasodium diphosphate

**Einecs** 231-767-1

Chemical formula Anhydrous: Na<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

Decahydrate: Na<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> · 10H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight Anhydrous: 265,94

Decahydrate: 446,09

Assay Content not less than 95 % of Na<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> on the ignited

basis

 $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 52,5 % and not more than 54,0 %

Description Colourless or white crystals, or a white crystalline or granular powder. The decahydrate effloresces slightly

in dry air

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility Soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 9,8 and 10,8

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 0,5 % for the anhydrous salt, not less

than 38 % and not more than 42 % for the decahydrate, in both cases determined after drying at 105  $^{\circ}$ C for four hours, followed by ignition at 550  $^{\circ}$ C for 30 minutes

Water-insoluble matter Not more than 0,2 %

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 450 (v) TETRAPOTASSIUM DIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Potassium pyrophosphate

Tetrapotassium pyrophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Tetrapotassium diphosphate

Molecular weight 330,34 (anhydrous)

Assay Content not less than 95 % on the ignited basis

 $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 42,0 % and not more than 43,7 % on the

anhydrous basis

Description Colourless crystals or white, very hygroscopic powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

B. Solubility Soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 10,0 and 10,8

**Purity** 

Loss on ignition Not more than 2 % after drying at 105 °C for four hours

and then ignition at 550  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 30 minutes

Water-insoluble substances Not more than 0,2 %

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 450 (vi) DICALCIUM DIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Calcium pyrophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Dicalcium diphosphate

Dicalcium pyrophosphate

Einecs232-221-5Chemical formula $Ca_2P_2O_7$ 

Molecular weight 254,12

Assay Content not less than 96 %

 $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 55 % and not more than 56 %

Description A fine, white, odourless powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium and for

phosphate

B. Solubility Insoluble in water. Soluble in dilute hydrochloric and

nitric acids

C. pH of a 10 % suspension in water

Between 5,5 and 7,0

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Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 1,5 % at 800 °C  $\pm$  25 °C for 30 minutes

Fluoride Not more than 50 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 450 (vii) CALCIUM DIHYDROGEN DIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Acid calcium pyrophosphate

Monocalcium dihydrogen pyrophosphate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Calcium dihydrogen diphosphate

Einecs238-933-2Chemical formula $CaH_2P_2O_7$ Molecular weight215,97

Assay Content not less than 90 % on the anhydrous basis  $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 61 % and not more than 64 %

Description White crystals or powder

Identification

Purity

A. Positive tests for calcium and for

phosphate

Acid-insoluble matter Not more than 0,4 %

Fluoride Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 451 (i) PENTASODIUM TRIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Pentasodium tripolyphosphate

Sodium tripolyphosphate

Definition

Chemical name Pentasodium triphosphate

**Einecs** 231-838-7

Chemical formula  $Na_5O_{10}P_3 \cdot nH_2O \ (n = 0 \text{ or } 6)$ 

Molecular weight 367,86

Assay Content not less than 85,0 % (anhydrous) or 65,0 %

(hexahydrate)

 $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 56 % and not more than 59 % (anhydrous)

or not less than 43 % and not more than 45 % (hexa-

hydrate)

Description White, slightly hygroscopic granules or powder

Identification

A. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

B. Positive tests for sodium and for

phosphate

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 9,1 and 10,2

Purity

Loss on drying Anhydrous: Not more than 0,7 % (105 °C, one hour)

Hexahydrate: Not more than 23,5 % (60 °C, one hour,

followed by drying at 105 °C, four hours)

Water-insoluble substances Not more than 0,1 % Higher polyphosphates Not more than 1 %

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 451 (ii) PENTAPOTASSIUM TRIPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Pentapotassium tripolyphosphate

Potassium triphosphate Potassium tripolyphosphate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Pentapotassium triphosphate

Pentapotassium tripolyphosphate

**Einecs** 237-574-9

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} & K_5O_{10}P_3 \\ \textit{Molecular weight} & 448,42 \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 85 % on the anhydrous basis  $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 46,5 % and not more than 48 % Description White, very hygroscopic powder or granules

Identification

A. Solubility Very soluble in water

B. Positive tests for potassium and for phosphate

C. pH of a 1 % solution Between 9,2 and 10,5

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 0,4 % (after drying at 105 °C, four hours,

followed by ignition at 550 °C, 30 minutes)

Water-insoluble matter Not more than 2 %

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 452 (i) SODIUM POLYPHOSPHATE

# 1. SOLUBLE POLYPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Sodium hexametaphosphate

Sodium tetrapolyphosphate

Graham's salt

Sodium polymetaphosphate Sodium metaphosphate

#### Definition

Soluble sodium polyphosphates are obtained by fusion and subsequent chilling of sodium orthophosphates. These compounds are a class consisting of several amorphous, water-soluble polyphosphates composed of linear chains of metaphosphate units, (NaPO<sub>3</sub>)x where  $x \ge 2$ , terminated by  $Na_2PO_4$  groups. These substances are usually identified by their Na<sub>2</sub>O/P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> ratio or their P2O5 content. The Na2O/P2O5 ratios vary from about 1,3 for sodium tetrapolyphosphate, where x = approximately 4; to about 1,1 for Graham's salt, commonly called sodium hexametaphosphate, where x = 13 to 18; and to about 1,0 for the higher weight sodium molecular polyphosphates, where x = 20 to 100 or more. The pH of their solutions varies from 3,0 to 9,0

Chemical name

Sodium polyphosphate

**Einecs** 

272-808-3

Chemical formula

Heterogenous mixtures of sodium salts of linear condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula H<sub>(n</sub>  $_{+\ 2)}P_{n}O_{(3n\ +\ 1)}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

Molecular weight

Not less than 60 % and not more than 71 % on the

ignited basis

Assay P2O5 content

Colourless or white, transparent platelets, granules, or

powders

Description

Identification A. Solubility

Very soluble in water

B. Positive tests for sodium and for phosphate

C. pH of a 1 % solution

Between 3,0 and 9,0

Purity

Loss on ignition

Not more than 1 %

Water-insoluble matter

Not more than 0,1 %

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine) Not more than 3 mg/kg

Arsenic Cadmium Lead

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 4 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

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Synonyms

Insoluble sodium metaphosphate

Maddrell's salt

Insoluble sodium polyphosphate, IMP

Definition

Insoluble sodium metaphosphate is a high molecular weight sodium polyphosphate composed of two long metaphosphate chains  $(NaPO_3)_x$  that spiral in opposite directions about a common axis. The Na<sub>2</sub>O/P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> ratio is about 1,0. The pH of 1 in 3 suspension in water is about

6,5

Chemical name

Sodium polyphosphate

Einecs

272-808-3

Chemical formula

Heterogenous mixtures of sodium salts of linear condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula H<sub>(n</sub>

 $_{+\ 2)}P_{n}O_{(3n\ +\ 1)}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

Molecular weight

 $(102)_{n}$ 

P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content

Not less than 68,7 % and not more than 70,0 %

Description White crystalline powder

Identification

A. Solubility

Insoluble in water, soluble in mineral acids and in solutions of potassium and ammonium (but not

sodium) chlorides

B. Positive tests for sodium and for

phosphate

C. pH of 1 in 3 suspension in water

About 6,5

**Purity** 

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 452 (ii) POTASSIUM POLYPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Potassium metaphosphate

Potassium polymetaphosphate

Kurrol salt

Definition

Chemical name Potassium polyphosphate

Einecs 232-212-6
Chemical formula (KPO<sub>3</sub>)n

Heterogenous mixtures of potassium salts of linear condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula H<sub>(n</sub>

 $_{+\ 2)}\!P_{n}O_{(3n\ +\ 1)}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

Molecular weight  $(118)_{n}$ 

 $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 53,5 % and not more than 61,5 % on the

ignited basis

Description Fine white powder or crystals or colourless glassy

platelets

Identification

A. Solubility 1 g dissolves in 100 ml of a 1 in 25 solution of sodium

acetate

B. Positive tests for potassium and for

phosphate

C. pH of a 1 % suspension Not more than 7,8

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 2 % (105 °C, four hours followed by

ignition at 550 °C, 30 minutes)

Cyclic phosphate Not more than 8 % on P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 452 (iv) CALCIUM POLYPHOSPHATE

Synonyms Calcium metaphosphate

Calcium polymetaphosphate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Calcium polyphosphate

**Einecs** 236-769-6

Chemical formula (CaP<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>)n

Heterogenous mixtures of calcium salts of condensed polyphosphoric acids of general formula  $H_{(n+2)}P_nO_{(n+2)}$ 

 $_{+1)}^{+1}$  where 'n' is not less than 2

Molecular weight  $(198)_n$ 

 $P_2O_5$  content Not less than 71 % and not more than 73 % on the

ignited basis

Description Odourless, colourless crystals or white powder

Identification

A. Solubility Usually sparingly soluble in water. Soluble in acid

medium

B. Positive tests for calcium and for phosphate

C. CaO content

27 to 29,5 %

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 2 % (105 °C, four hours followed by

ignition at 550 °C, 30 minutes)

Cyclic phosphate Not more than 8 % on P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content

Fluoride Not more than 30 mg/kg (expressed as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 4 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

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#### E 460 (i) MICROCRISTALLINE CELLULOSE

Synonyms Cellulose gel

**Definition**Microcrystalline cellulose is purified, partally depolymerised cellulose prepared by treating alpha-cellulose, obtained as a pulp from natural strains of fibrous plant

material, with mineral acids. The degree of polymeri-

sation is typically less than 400

Chemical nameCelluloseEinecs232-674-9Chemical formula $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_n$ Molecular weightAbout 36 000

Assay Not less than 97 % calculated as cellulose on the

anhydrous basis

Description A fine white or almost white odourless powder

Identification

A. Solubility

Insoluble in water, ethanol, ether and dilute mineral acids. Slightly soluble in sodium hydroxide solution

B. Colour reaction

To 1 mg of the sample, add 1 ml of phosphoric acid and

heat on a water bath for 30 minutes. Add 4 ml of a 1 in 4 solution of pyrocatechol in phosphoric acid and heat

for 30 minutes, A red colour is produced

C. To be identified by IR spectroscopy

D. Suspension test

Mix 30 g of the sample with 270 ml of water in a highspeed (12 000 rpm) power blender for 5 minutes. The resultant mixture will be either a free-following suspension or a heavy, lumpy suspension which flows poorly, if at all, settles only slightly and contains many trapped air bubbles. If a free-flowing suspension is

Purity

Loss on drying

Water-soluble matter

Sulphated ash

pH of a 10 % suspension in water

Starch

Particle size

Carboxyl groups Arsenic Lead

Mercury Cadmium

Heavy metals (as Pb)

obtained, transfer 100 ml into a 100-ml graduated cylinder and allow to stand for 1 hour. The solids settles and a supernatant liquid appears

Not more than 7 % (105 °C, 3 hours)

Not more than 0,24%

Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

The pH of the supernatant liquid is between 5,0 and 7,5

Not detectable

To 20 ml of the dispersion obtained in identification, test D, add a few drops of iodine solution and mix. No purplish to blue or blue colour should be produced

Not less than 5  $\mu m$  (not more than 10 % of particles of

less than 5  $\mu$ m)

Not more than 1 % Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 460 (ii) POWDERED CELLULOSE

#### Definition

Chemical name

**Einecs** 

Chemical formula

Molecular weight

Assay
Description

Identification

A. Solubility

B. Suspension test

Purified, mechanically disintegrated celluslose prepared by processing alpha-cellulose obtained as a pulp from natural strains of fibrous plant materials

Cellulose

Linear polymer of 1:4 linked glucose residues

232-674-9

 $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_n$ 

(162)<sub>n</sub> (n is predominantly 1 000 and greater)

Content not less than 92 % A white, odourless powder

Insoluble in water, ethanol, ether and dilute mineral acids. Slightly soluble in sodium hydroxide solution

Mix 30 g of the sample with 270 ml of water in a high-speed (12 000 rpm) power blender for 5 minutes. The resultant mixture will be either a free-flowing suspension or a heavy, lumpy suspension which flows poorly, if at all, settles only slightly and contains many trapped air bubbles. If a free-flowing suspension is obtained, transfer 100 ml into a 100-ml graduated cylinder and allow to stand for 1 hour. The solids settles and a supernatant liquid appears

Purity

Loss on drying

Water-soluble matter

Sulphated ash

pH of a 10 % suspension in water

Starch

Not more than 7 % (105 °C, 3 hours)

Not more than 1.0 %

Not more than 0,3 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

The pH of the supernatant liquid is between 5,0 and 7,5

Not detectable

To 20 ml of the dispersion obtained in identification, test B, add a few drops of iodine solution and mix. No purplish to blue or blue colour should be produced

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Particle size

Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not less than 5  $\mu m$  (not more than 10 % of particles of less than 5  $\mu m$ )

#### E 461 METHYL CELLULOSE

**Synonyms** 

Definition

Chemical name
Chemical formula

Molecular weight

Assay

Description

Identification

A. Solubility

**Purity** 

Loss on drying Sulphated ash

pH of a 1 % colloidal solution

Arsenic Lead Mercury Cadmium

Heavy metals (as Pb)

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E 462 ETHYL CELLULOSE

Synonyms Definition

Chemical names
Chemical formula

Assay

Cellulose methyl ether

Methyl cellulose is cellulose obtained directly from natural strains of fibrous plant material and partially etherified with methyl groups

Methyl ether of cellulose

The polymers contain substituted anhydroglucose units with the following general formula:

 $C_6H_7O_2(OR_1)(OR_2)(OR_3)$  where  $R_1,\,R_2,\,R_3$  each may be one of the following:

— H

CH<sub>3</sub> or

— CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>

From about 20 000 to 380 000

Content not less than 25 % and not more than 33 % of methoxyl groups (-OCH<sub>3</sub>) and not more than 5 % of hydroxyethoxyl groups (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH)

Slightly hygroscopic white or slightly yellowish or greyish odourless and tasteless, granular or fibrous powder

Swelling in water, producing a clear to opalescent, viscous, colloidal solution.

Insoluble in ehtanol, ether and chloroform.

Soluble in glacial acetic acid

Not more than 10 % (105 °C, 3 hours)

Not more than 1,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Not less than 5,0 and not more than 8,0

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 20 mg/kg

Cellulose ethyl ether

Ethyl cellulose is cellulose obtained directly from fibrous plant material and partially etherified with ethyl groups

Ethyl ether of cellulose

The polymers contain substituted anhydroglucose units with the following general formula:

 $C_6H_7O_2(OR_1)(OR_2)$  where  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  may be any of the following:

— H

— СН<sub>2</sub>СН<sub>3</sub>

Content not less than 44 % and not more than 50 % of ethoxyl groups ( $-OC_2H_5$ ) on the dried basis (equivalent to not more than 2,6 ethoxyl groups per anhydroglucose unit)

Description

Slightly hygroscopic, white to off white, odourless and tasteless powder

#### Identification

A. Solubility

Practically insoluble in water, in glycerol and in propane-1,2-diol but soluble in varying proportions in certain organic solvents depending upon the ethoxyl content. Ethyl cellulose containing less than 46 to 48 % of ethoxyl groups is freely soluble in tetrahydrofuran, in methyl acetate, in chloroform and in aromatic hydrocarbon ethanol mixtures. Ethyl cellulose containing 46 to 48 % or more of ethoxyl groups is freely soluble in ethanol, in methanol, in toluene, in chloroform and in ethyl acetate

B. Film forming test

Dissolve 5 g of the sample in 95 g of an 80:20 (w/w) mixture of toluene ethanol. A clear, stable, slightly yellow solution is formed. Pour a few ml of the solution onto a glass plate and allow the solvent to evaporate. A thick, tough, continuous, clear film remains. The film is flammable

### Purity

Loss on drying

Sulphated ash

pH of a 1 % colloidal solution

Arsenic Lead Mercury Cadmium Not more than 3 % (105 °C, 2 h)

Not more than 0,4 %

Neutral to litmus

Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 2 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

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#### E 463 HYDROXYPROPYL CELLULOSE

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Definition

Chemical name Chemical formula Cellulose hydroxypropyl ether

Hydroxypropylcellulose is cellulose obtained directly from natural strains of fibrous plant material and partially etherified with hydroxypropyl groups

Hydroxypropyl ether of cellulose

The polymers contain substituted anhydroglucose units with the following general formula:

 $C_6H_7O_2(OR_1)(OR_2)(OR_3)$ , where  $R_1,\ R_2,\ R_3$  each may be one of the following:

— Н

— CH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>

— CH<sub>2</sub>CHO(CH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>)CH<sub>3</sub>

— CH<sub>2</sub>CHO[CH<sub>2</sub>CHO(CH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>)CH<sub>3</sub>]CH<sub>3</sub>

Molecular weight

Assay

From about 30 000 to 1 000 000

Content not less than 80,5 % of hydroxypropoxyl groups (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>) equivalent to not more than 4,6 hydroxypropyl groups per anhydroglucose unit on the anhydrous basis

Slightly hygroscopic white or slightly yellowish or greyish odourless and tasteless, granular or fibrous powder

Description

Identification

A. Solubility

B. Gas chromatography

Purity

Loss on drying

Swelling in water, producing a clear to opalescent, viscous, colloidal solution. Soluble in ethanol. Insoluble in ether

Determine the substituents by gas chromotography

Not more than 10 % (105 °C, 3 hours)

Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C Sulphated ash

pH of a 1 % colloidal solution Not less than 5,0 and not more than 8,0

Propylene chlorohydrins Not more than 0,1 mg/kg Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

# E 464 HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE

#### Definition

Chemical name Chemical formula

Hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose is cellulose obtained directly from natural strains of fibrous plant material and partially etherified with methyl groups and containing a small degree of hydroxypropyl substitution

2-Hydroxypropyl ether of methylcellulose

The polymers contain substituted anhydroglucose units with the following general formula:

 $C_6H_7O_2(OR_1)(OR_2)(OR_3)$ , where  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$   $R_3$  each may be one of the following:

- H
- CH<sub>3</sub>
- CH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>
- CH<sub>2</sub>CHO (CH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>) CH<sub>3</sub>
- CH<sub>2</sub>CHO[CH<sub>2</sub>CHO (CH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>) CH<sub>3</sub>]CH<sub>3</sub>

Molecular weight

Assay

Description

From about 13 000 to 200 000

Content not less than 19 % and not more than 30 % methoxyl groups (-OCH3) and not less than 3 % and not 12 % hydroxypropoxyl more than groups (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CHOHCH<sub>3</sub>), on the anhydrous basis

Slightly hygroscopic white or slightly yellowish or greyish odourless and tasteless, granular or fibrous powder

Swelling in water, producing a clear to opalescent, viscous, colloidal solution. Insoluble in ethanol

Determine the substituents by gas chromatography

#### Identification

A. Solubility

B. Gas chromatography

pH of a 1 % colloidal solution

Purity

Loss on drying

Sulphated ash

Not more than 10 % (105 °C, 3 hours)

Not more than 1,5 % for products with viscosities of 50 mPa.s or above

Not more than 3 % for products with viscosities below 50 mPa.s

Not less than 5,0 and not more than 8,0

Propylene chlorohydrins Not more than 0,1 mg/kg Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

#### E 465 ETHYL METHYL CELLULOSE

**Synonyms** 

Methylethylcellulose

Definition

Ethyl methyl cellulose is cellulose obtained directly from natural strains of fibrous plant material and partially etherified with methyl and ethyl groups

Ethyl methyl ether of cellulose

The polymers contain substituted anhydroglucose units with the following general formula:

 $C_6H_7O_2(OR_1)(OR_2)(OR_3)$ , where  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$   $R_3$  each may be one of the following:

— Н

CH<sub>3</sub>

— CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>

From about 30 000 to 40 000 Molecular weight

> Content on the anhydrous basis not less than 3,5 % and not more than 6,5 % of methoxyl groups (-OCH<sub>3</sub>) and not less than 14,5 % and not more than 19 % of ethoxyl

groups (-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), and not less than 13,2 % and not more than 19,6 % of total alkoxyl groups, calculated as

Description Slightly hygroscopic white or slightly yellowish or greyish odourless and tasteless, granular or fibrous

powder

Identification

Assay

Chemical name

Chemical formula

A. Solubility Swelling in water, producing a clear to opalescent, viscous, colloidal solution. Soluble in

Insoluble in ether

**Purity** 

Not more than 15 % for the fibrous form, and not more Loss on drying

than 10 % for the powdered form (105 °C to constant

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,6 %

pH of a 1 % colloidal solution Not less than 5,0 and not more than 8,0

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

# E 466 SODIUM CARBOXY METHYL CELLULOSE

Carboxy methyl cellulose

CMC

NaCMC

Sodium CMC

Cellulose gum

Definition Carboxy methyl cellulose is the partial sodium salt of a

carboxymethyl ether of cellulose, the cellulose being obtained directly from natural strains of fibrous plant

material

Chemical name Sodium salt of the carboxymethyl ether of cellulose

> The polymers contain substituted anhydroglucose units with the following general formula:

> C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>7</sub>O<sub>2</sub>(OR<sub>1</sub>)(OR<sub>2</sub>)(OR<sub>3</sub>), where R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> R<sub>3</sub> each may be one of the following:

CH<sub>2</sub>COONa

— CH<sub>2</sub>COOH

#### Synonyms

# Chemical formula

Molecular weight

Higher than approximately 17 000 (degree of polymerisation approximately 100)

Assay Description

Content on the anhydrous basis not less than 99,5 % Slightly hygroscopic white or slightly yellowish or greyish odourless and tasteless, granular or fibrous

powder

Identification

A. Solubility Yields a viscous colloidal solution with water. Insoluble

B. Foam test

A 0,1 % solution of the sample is shaken vigorously. No layer of foam appears. (This test permits the distinction of sodium carboxymethyl cellulose from other cellulose

C. Precipitate formation

To 5 ml of a 0,5 % solution of the sample, add 5 ml of 5 % solution of copper sulphate or of aluminium sulphate. A precipitate appears. (This test permits the distinction of sodium carboxymethyl cellulose from other cellulose ethers and from gelatine, locust bean gum and tragacanth)

D. Colour reaction

Add 0,5 g powdered carboxy methyl cellulose sodium to 50 ml of water, while stirring to produce an uniform dispersion. Continue the stirring until a clear solution is produced, and use the solution for the following test:

To 1 mg of the sample, diluted with an equal volume of water, in a small test tube, add 5 drops of 1-naphthol solution. Incline the test tube, and carefully introduce down the side of the tube 2 ml of sulphuric acid so that it forms a lower layer. A red-purple colour develops at the interface

Purity

Degree of substitution Not less than 0,2 and not more than 1,5 carboxymethyl

groups (-CH2COOH) per anhydroglucose unit

Not more than 12 % (105 °C to constant weight) Loss on drying

pH of a 1 % colloidal solution Not less than 5,0 and not more than 8,5

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 20 mg/kg

Total glycolate Not more than 0,4 %, calculated as sodium glycolate on

the anhydrous basis

Not more than 12,4 % on the anhydrous basis Sodium

#### E 470a SODIUM, POTASSIUM AND CALCIUM SALTS OF FATTY ACIDS

Definition

Sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids occurring in food oils and fats, these salts being obtained either from edible fats and oils or from distilled food fatty acids

Assay Description Content on the anhydrous basis not less than 95 %

White or creamy white light powders, flakes or semi-

Identification

A. Solubility

Sodium and potassium salts: soluble in water and ethanol calcium salts: insoluble in water, ethanol and

B. Positive tests for cations and for fatty acids

Purity

Sodium

Not less than 9 % and not more than 14 % expressed as Na<sub>2</sub>O

Potassium Not less than 13 % and not more than 21,5 % expressed

as K<sub>2</sub>O

Calcium Not less than 8,5 % and not more than 13 % expressed

as CaO

Unsaponifiable matter Not more than 2 %

Free fatty acids Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Free alkali Not more than 0,1 % expressed as NaOH

Matter insoluble in alcohol Not more than 0,2 % (sodium and potassium salts only)

#### E 470b MAGNESIUM SALTS OF FATTY ACIDS

**Definition** Magnesium salts of fatty acids occurring in foods oils

and fats, these salts being obtained either from edible fats and oils or from distilled food fatty acids

Assay Content on the anhydrous basis not less than 95 %

Description White or creamy-white light powders, flakes or semi-

solids

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water, partially soluble in ethanol and ether

B. Positive tests for magnesium and for

fatty acids

Purity

Magnesium Not less than 6,5 % and not more than 11 % expressed

as MgO

Free alkali Not more than 0,1 % expressed as MgO

Unsaponifiable matter Not more than 2 %

Free fatty acids Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 471 MONO- AND DIGLYCERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Glyceryl monostearate

Glyceryl monopalmitate Glyceryl monooleate, etc.

Monostearin, monopalmitin, monoolein, etc.

GMS (for glyceryl monostearate)

**Definition** Mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids consist of mixtures

of glycerol mono-, di- and triesters of fatty acids occurring in food oils and fats. They may contain

small amounts of free fatty acids and glycerol

Assay Content of mono- and diesters: not less than 70 %

The product varies from a pale yellow to pale brown oily liquid to a white or slightly off-white hard waxy solid. The solids may be in the form of flakes, powders

or small beads

Identification

Description

A. Infrared spectrum Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyol

B. Positive tests for glycerol and for fatty acids

C. Solubility

Insoluble in water, soluble in ethanol and toluene

Purity

Water content Not more than 2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Acid value Not more than 6
Free glycerol Not more than 7 %

Polyglycerols Not more than 4 % diglycerol and not more than 1 %

higher polyglycerols both based on total glycerol content

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Total glycerol Not less than 16 % and not more than 33 % Sulphated ash Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

#### E 472 a ACETIC ACID ESTERS OF MONO- AND DIGLYCERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Acetic acid esters of mono- and diglycerides

Acetoglycerides

Acetylated mono- and diglycerides

Acetic and fatty acid esters of glycerol

**Definition**Esters of glycerol with acetic and fatty acids occurring in

food fats and oils. They may contain small amounts of free glycerol, free fatty acids, free acetic acid and free

glycerides

Description Clear, mobile liquids to solids, from white to pale

yellow in colour

Identification

A. Positive tests for glycerol, for fatty

acids and for acetic acid

B. Solubility Insoluble in water. Soluble in ethanol

Purity

Acids other than acetic and fatty acids Not detectable

Free glycerol

Arsenic

Not more than 2 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Total acetic acid Not less than 9 % and not more than 32 % Free fatty acids (and acetic acid) Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid Not less than 14 % and not more than 31 % Sulphated ash Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

### E 472 b LACTIC ACID ESTERS OF MONO- AND DIGLYCERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Lactoglycerides

Mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids esterified with

lactic acid

Definition Esters of glycerol with lactic acid and fatty acids occurring in food fats and oils. They may contain

small amounts of free glycerol, free fatty acids, free

lactic acid and free glycerides

Description Clear, mobile liquids to waxy solids of variable

consistency, from white to pale yellow in colour

Identification

A. Positive tests for glycerol, for fatty acids and for lactic acid

B. Solubility Insoluble in cold water but dispersible in hot water

Purity

Not detectable Acids other than lactic and fatty acids

Free glycerol Not more than 2 % Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

Total lactic acid Not less than 13 % and not more than 45 % Free fatty acids (and lactic acid) Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid Total glycerol Not less than 13 % and not more than 30 % Sulphated ash Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium

# E 472c CITRIC ACID ESTERS OF MONO- AND DIGLYCYERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Citrem

Citric acid esters of mono- and diglycerides

Citroglycerides

Mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids esterified with

citric acid

Definition Esters of glycerol with citric acid and fatty acids

occurring in food oils and fats. They may contain small amounts of free glycerol, free fatty acids, free citric acid and free glycerides. They may be partially or wholly neutralised with sodium hydroxide or with

potassium hydroxide

Description Yellowish or light brown liquids to waxy solids or semi-

solids

Identification

A. Positive test for glycerol, for fatty acids and for citric acid

B. Solubility Insoluble in cold water

> Dispersible in hot water Soluble in oils and fats In soluble in cold ethanol

Purity

Acids other than citric and fatty acids

Not detectable Free glycerol Not more than 2 %

Total glycerol Not less than 8 % and not more than 33 % Total citric acid Not less than 13 % and not more than 50 %

Sulphated ash (determined at 800  $\pm$  25  $^{\circ}$ 

Non-neutralised products: not more than 0,5 %

Partially or wholly neutralised products: not more than

10 %

Lead

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Free fatty acids

Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however, these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate).

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#### E 472 d TARTARIC ACID ESTERS OF MONO- AND DIGLYCERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Tartaric acid esters of mono- and diglycerides

Mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids esterified with

tartaric aci

Esters of glycerol with tartaric acid and fatty acids occurring in food fats and oils. They may contain small amounts of free glycerol, free fatty acids, free

tartaric acid and free glycerides

Sticky viscous yellowish liquids to hard yellow waxes

Description

Identification

Definition

A. Positive tests for glycerol, for fatty acids and for tartaric acid

Purity

Acids other than tartaric and fatty acids Not detectable

Free glycerol Not more than 2 %

Total glycerol Not less than 12 % and not more than 29 %

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Total tartaric acid Not less than 15 % and not more than 50 % Free fatty acids Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid Sulphated ash Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

# E 472 e MONO- AND DIACETYLTARTARIC ACID ESTERS OF MONO- AND DIGLY-CERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Diacetyltartaric acid esters of mono- and diglycerides

Mono-and diglycerides of fatty acids esterified with mono- and diacetyltartaric acid

mono- and diacetynariane acid

Diacetyltartaric and fatty acid esters of glycerol

Mixted esters of glycerol with mono- and diacetyltartaric acids (obtained from tartaric acid) and fatty acids occurring in food fats and oils. They may contain small amounts of free glycerol, free fatty acids, free tartaric and acetic acids and their combinations, and free glycerides. Contains also tartaric and acetic esters

of fatty acids

Description

Sticky viscous liquids through a fat-like consistency to yellow waxes which hydrolyse in moist air to liberate

acetic acid

# Identification

Definition

A. Positive tests for glycerol, for fatty acids, for tartaric acid and for acetic acid

Purity

Acids other than acetic, tartaric and fatty

acids

Not more than 2 %

Not detectable

Free glycerol Total glycerol Sulphated ash

Not less than 11 % and not more than 28 % Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Arsenic
Lead
Mercury
Cadmium

Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

Total tartaric acid

Not less than 10 % and not more than 40 %

Not less than 8 % and not more than 32 %

Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

# E 472 f MIXED ACETIC AND TARTARIC ACID ESTERS OF MONO- AND DIGLY-CERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids esterified with

acetic acid and tartaric acid

Definition Esters of glycerol with acetic

Esters of glycerol with acetic and tartaric acids and fatty acids occurring in food fats and oils. They may contain small amounts of free glycerol, free fatty acids, free tartaric and ecetic acids, and free glycerides. May contain mono- and diacetyltartaric esters of mono- and

diglycerides of fatty acids

Description Sticky liquids to solids, from white to pale-yellow in

colour

Identification

A. Positive tests for glycerol, for fatty acids, for tartaric acid and for acetic acid

Purity

Acids other than acetic, tartaric and fatty | N

acids

Not detectable

Free glycerol

Not more than 2 %

Total glycerol

Not less than 12 % and not more than 27 % Not more than 0.5 % determined at 800  $\pm$  25 °C

Sulphated ash Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not less than 10 % and not more than 20 %

Total tartaric acid

Not less than 20 % and not more than 40 %

Free fatty acids

Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

#### E 473 SUCROSE ESTERS OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Sucroesters

Sugar esters

#### **Definition**

Essentially the mono-, di- and triesters of sucrose with fatty acids occurring in food fats and oils. They may be prepared from sucrose and the methyl and ethyl esters of food fatty acids or by extraction from sucroglycerides. No organic solvent other than dimethylsulphoxide, dimethylformamide, ethyl acetate, propane-2-ol, 2-methyl-1-propanol, propylene glycol and methyl ethyl ketone may be used for their preparation

Assay Content not less than 80 %

Description Stiff gels, soft solids or white to slightly greyish-white

powders

A. Positive tests for sugar for fatty acids

B. Solubility Sparingly soluble in water Soluble in ethanol

Purity

Identification

Sulphated ash Not more than 2 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Free sugar Not more than 5 %

Free fatty acids Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Methanol Not more than 10 mg/kg
Dimethylsulphoxide Not more than 2 mg/kg
Dimethylformamide Not more than 1 mg/kg
2-methyl-1-propanol Not more than 10 mg/kg

Ethyl acetate Not more than 350 mg/kg, singly or in combination

Propylene glycol

Methyl ethyl ketone

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

#### E 474 SUCROGLYCERIDES

Propane-2-ol

# Synonyms Sugar glycerides

Definition Sucroglyceride

Sucroglycerides are produced by reacting sucrose with an edible fat or oil to produce a mixture of essentially mono-, di- and triesters of sucrose and fatty acids together with residual mono-, di- and triglycerides from fat or oil. No organic solvents shall be used in their preparation other than cyclohexane, dimethylformamide, ethyl acetate, 2-methyl-1-propanol and

propane-2-ol

Content not less than 40 % and not more than 60 % of sucrose fatty acid esters

Description Soft solid masses, stiff gels or white to off-white powders

Identification

Assay

A. Positive tests for sugar and for fatty acids

B. Solubility Insoluble in cold water Soluble in ethanol

**Purity** 

Sulphated ash Not more than 2 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Free sugar Not more than 5 %

Free fatty acids Not more than 3 % estimated as oleic acid

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Methanol Not more than 10 mg/kg
Dimethylformamide Not more than 1 mg/kg

2-methyl-1-propanol Cyclohexane Not more than 10 mg/kg, single or in combination

Ethyl acetate \ \ Not more than 350 mg/kg, single or in combination

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium pleate)

#### E 475 POLYGLYCEROL ESTERS OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Polyglycerol fatty acid esters

Polyglycerin esters of fatty acid esters

Definition

Polyglycerol esters of fatty acids are produced by the esterification of polyglycerol with food fats and oils or with fatty acids occurring in foods fats and oils. The polyglycerol moiety is predominantly di-, tri- and tetraglycerol and contains not more than 10 % of polyglycerols equal to or higher than heptaglycerol

Assay Content of total fatty acid ester not less than 90 %

Description Light yellow to amber, oily to very viscous liquids; light tan to medium brown, plastic or soft solids; and light tan

to brown, hard, waxy solids

Identification

Propane-2-ol

A. Positive tests for glycerol, for poly-

glycerols and for fatty acids

B. Solubility

The esters range from very hydrophilic to very lipophilic, but as a class tend to be dispersible in water

and soluble in organic solvents and oils

Purity

Sulphated ash Not more than 0.5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25 \degree$ C

Acids other than fatty acids Not detectable

Free fatty acids

Not more than 6 % estimated as oleic acid

Not less than 18 % and not more than 60 %

Free glycerol and polyglycerol

Arsenic

Lead

Not more than 7 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

#### E 476 POLYGLYCEROL POLYRICINOLEATE

Synonyms Glycerol esters of condensed castor oil fatty acids

Polyglycerol esters of polycondensed fatty acids from

castor oi

Polyglycerol esters of interesterified ricinoleic acid

**PGPR** 

**Definition** Polyglycerol polyricinoleate is prepared by the esterifi-

cation of polyglycerol with condensed castor oil fatty

acids

Description Clear, highly viscous liquid

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water and in ethanol.

Soluble in ether, hydrocarbons and halogenated hydro-

carbons

B. Positive tests for glycerol, polyglycerol and for ricinoleic acid

C. Refractive index [n]<sup>65</sup>

Between 1,4630 and 1,4665

Purity

Polyglycerols The polyglycerol moiety shall be composed of not less

than 75% of di-, tri- and tetraglycerols and shall contain not more than 10% of polyglycerols equal to or higher

than heptaglycerol

Hydroxyl value Not less than 80 and not more than 100

Acid value Not more than 6

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

### E 477 PROPANE-1,2-DIOL ESTERS OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms Propylene glycol esters of fatty acids

Definition Consists of mixtures of propane-1,2-diol mono- and

diesters of fatty acids occurring in food fats and oils. The alcohol moiety is exclusively propane-1,2-diol together with dimer and traces of trimer. Organic acids

other than food fatty acids are absent.

Assay Content of total fatty acid ester not less than 85 %

Description Clear liquids or waxy white flakes, beads or solids

having a bland odour

Identification

A. Positive tests for propylene glycol

and for fatty acids

Purity

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Acids other than fatty acids Not detectable

Free fatty acids

Not more than 6 % estimated as oleic acid

Total propane-1,2-diol

Not less than 11 % and not more than 31 %

Free propane-1,2-diol Not more than 5 %

Dimer and trimer of propylene glycol Not more than 0,5 %

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

Purity criteria apply to the additive free of sodium, potassium and calcium salts of fatty acids, however these substances may be present up to a maximum level of 6 % (expressed as sodium oleate)

# E 479 b THERMALLY OXIDISED SOYA BEAN OIL INTERACTED WITH MONO- AND DIGLYCERIDES OF FATTY ACIDS

Synonyms TOSOM

**Definition** Thermally oxidised soya bean oil interacted with mono-

and diglycerides of fatty acids is a complex mixture of esters of glycerol and fatty acids found in edible fat and fatty acids from thermally oxidised soya bean oil. It is produced by interaction and desodorisation under vacuum at 130 °C of 10 % of thermally oxidised soya bean oil and 90 % mono- and diglycerides of food fatty acids. Soya bean oil is exclusively made from natural

Not more than 9 % of total fatty acid methyl esters

strains of soya beans

Description Pale yellow to light brown a waxy or solid consistency

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water. Soluble in hot oil or fat

Purity

Melting range 55—65 °C

Free fatty acids Not more than 1,5 % estimated as oleic acid

Free glycerol Not more than 2 %

Total fatty acids 83—90 %
Total glycerol 16—22 %

Fatty acid methyl esters, not forming

adduct with urea

Fatty acids, insoluble in petroleum ether Not more than 2 % of total fatty acids

Peroxide value Not more than 3

Epoxides Not more than 0,03 % oxirane oxygen

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 481 SODIUM STEAROYL-2-LACTYLATE

Synonyms Sodium stearoyl lactylate

Sodium stearoyl lactate

**Definition** A mixture of the sodium salts of stearoyl lactylic acids

and its polymers and minor amounts of sodium salts of other related acids, manufactured by the reaction of stearic acid and lactic acid. Other food fatty acids may also be present, free or esterified, due to their presence

in the stearic acid used

Chemical names Sodium di-2-stearoyl lactate

Sodium di(2-stearoyloxy)propionate

**Einecs** 246-929-7

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} & \qquad & C_{21}H_{39}O_4Na \\ \textit{(major components)} & \qquad & C_{19}H_{35}O_4Na \end{array}$ 

Description White or slightly yellowish powder or brittle solid with a

characteristic odour

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium, for fatty acids and for lactic acid

B. Solubility

Insoluble in water. Soluble in ethanol

Purity

Sodium

Not less than 2,5 % and not more than 5 %

Not less than 90 and not more than 190

Acid value

Not less than 90 and not more than 130

Not less than 60 and not more than 130

Not less than 15 % and not more than 40 %

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 482 CALCIUM STEAROYL-2-LACTYLATE

Synonyms Calcium stearoyl lactate

**Definition** A mixture of the calcium salts of stearoyl lactylic acids

and its polymers and minor amounts of calcium salts of other related acids, manufactured by the reaction of stearic acid and lactic acid. Other food fatty acids may also be present, free or esterified, due to their presence

in the stearic acid used

Chemical name Calcium di-2-stearoyl lactate

Calcium di(2-stearoyloxy)propionate

Einecs227-335-7Chemical formula $C_{42}H_{78}O_8Ca$ 

 $C_{38}H_{70}O_8Ca$ 

Description White or slightly yellowish powder or brittle solid with a

characteristic odour

Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium, for fatty acids and for lactid acid

B. Solubility Slightly soluble in hot water

Purity

Calcium

Not less than 1 % and not more than 5,2 %

Ester value

Not less than 125 and not more than 190

Total lactic acid

Not less than 15 % and not more than 40 %

Acid value

Not less than 50 and not more than 130

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 483 STEARYL TARTRATE

Synonyms Stearyl palmityl tartrate

**Definition** Product of the esterification of tartaric acid with

commercial stearyl alcohol, which consists essentially of stearyl and palmityl alcohols. It consists mainly of diester, with minor amounts of monoester and of

unchanged starting materials

Chemical name Distearyl tartrate

Dipalmityl tartrate

Chemical formula  $C_{38}H_{74}O_6$  to  $C_{40}H_{78}O_6$ 

Molecular weight 627 to 655

Assay Content of total ester not less than 90 % corresponding

to an ester value of not less than 163 and not more than

180

Description Cream-coloured unctuous solid (at 25 °C)

Identification

A. Positive tests for tartare

B. Melting range

Between 67 °C and 77 °C. After saponification the saturated long chain fatty alcohols have a melting

range of 49 °C to 55 °C

Purity

Hydroxyl value Not less than 200 and not more than 220

Acid value Not more than 5,6

Total tartaric acid content Not less than 18 % and not more than 35 % Sulphated ash Not more than 0.5 % determined at  $800 \pm 25$  °C

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Iodine value Not more than 4 (Wijs)

#### E 491 SORBITAN MONOSTEARATE

Unsaponifiable matter

**Definition** A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its anhy-

drides with edible, commercial stearic acid

Not less than 77 % and not more than 83 %

**Einecs** 215-664-9

Assay Content not less than 95 % of a mixture of sorbitol,

sorbitan, and isosorbide esters

Description Light, cream- to tan-coloured beads or flakes or a hard,

waxy solid with a slight characteristic odour

Identification

A. Solubility

Soluble at temperatures above its melting point in toluene, dioxane, carbon tetrachloride, ether, methanol,

ethanol and aniline; insoluble in petroleum ether and acetone; insoluble in cold water but dispersible in warm water; soluble with haze at temperatures above

50 °C in mineral oil and ethyl acetate

B. Congealing range 50—52 °C

C. Infrared absorption spectrum Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyol

Purity

Water Not more than 2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash
Acid value

Not more than 0,5 %
Not more than 10

Saponification value Not less than 147 and not more than 157 Hydroxyl value Not less than 235 and not more than 260

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 492 SORBITAN TRISTEARATE

**Definition**A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its anhydrides with edible, commercial stearic acid

**Einecs** 247-891-4

Assay Content not less than 95 % of a mixture of sorbitol,

sorbitan, and isosorbide esters

Description Light, cream- to tan-coloured beads or flakes or hard,

waxy solid with a slight odour

Identification

A. Solubility

Slightly soluble in toluene, ether, carbon tetrachloride and ethyl acetate; dispersible in petroleum ether,

mineral oil, vegetable oils, acetone and dioxane; insoluble in water, methanol and ethanol

B. Congealing range 47—50 °C

C. Infrared absorption spectrum Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyol

Purity

Water Not more than 2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash
Acid value

Not more than 0,5 %
Not more than 15

Saponification value

Not less than 176 and not more than 188

Hydroxyl value

Not less than 66 and not more than 80

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

### E 493 SORBITAN MONOLAURATE

**Definition** A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its anhy-

drides with edible, commercial lauric acid

Einecs 215-663-3

Assay Content not less than 95 % of a mixture of sorbitol,

sorbitan, and isosorbide esters

Description Amber-coloured oily viscous liquid, light cream to tancoloured beads or flakes or a hard, waxy solid with a

slight odour

Identification

A. Solubility

Dispersible in hot and cold water

B. Infrared absorption spectrum Characteristic of a partial fatty acid ester of a polyol

Purity

Water Not more than 2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash
Acid value

Not more than 0,5 %
Not more than 7

Saponification value Not less than 155 and not more than 170 Hydroxyl value Not less than 330 and not more than 358

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 494 SORBITAN MONOOLEATE

A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its anhydrides with edible, commercial oleic acid. Major constituent is 1,4-sorbitan monooleate. Other constituents include isosorbide monooleate, sorbitan dioleate

and sorbitan trioleate

**Einecs** 215-665-4

Assay Content not less than 95 % of a mixture of sorbitol,

sorbitan and isosorbide esters

Description Amber-coloured viscous liquid, light cream to tan-

coloured beads or flakes or a hard, waxy solid with a

slight characteristic odour

Identification

Definition

A. Solubility Soluble at temperatures above its melting point in

ethanol, ether, ethyl acetate, aniline, toluene, dioxane, petroleum ether and carbon tetrachloride. Insoluble in

cold water, dispersible in warm water

B. Iodine value The residue of oleic acid, obtained from the saponification of the sorbitan monoleate in assay, has a iodine

value between 80 and 100

Purity

Water Not more than 2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash
Acid value

Not more than 0,5 %
Not more than 8

Saponification value Not less than 145 and not more than 160 Hydroxyl value Not less than 193 and not more than 210

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 495 SORBITAN MONOPALMITATE

Synonyms Sorbitan palmitate

**Definition** A mixture of the partial esters of sorbitol and its anhy-

drides with edible, commercial palmitic acid **Einecs**247-568-8

Assay Content not less than 95 % of a mixture of sorbitol,

sorbitan, and isosorbide esters

Description Light cream to tan-coloured beads or flakes or a hard,

waxy solid with a slight characteristic odour

Identification

Purity

A. Solubility

Soluble at temperatures above its melting point in ethanol, methanol, ether, ethyl acetate, aniline, toluene,

dioxane, petroleum ether and carbon tetrachloride. Insoluble in cold water but dispersible in warm water

B. Congealing range 45—47 °C

Water Not more than 2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphate ash

Acid value

Not more than 0,5 %

Not more than 7,5

Saponification value Not less than 140 and not more than 150 Hydroxyl value Not less than 270 and not more than 305

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 1 mg/kg
Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 508 POTASSIUM CHLORIDE

Synonyms Sylvine Sylvite

Definition

Chemical name Potassium chloride

Einecs 231-211-8

Chemical formulae KCl

Molecular weight 74,56

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the dried basis

Description Colourless, elongated, prismatic or cubital crystals or

white granular powder.

Odourless

Identification

A. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

B. Positive tests for potassium and for

chloride

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 1 % (105 °C, 2 hours)

Sodium Negative test

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

# **E 579 FERROUS GLUCONATE**

Definition

Chemical name Ferrous di-D-gluconate dihydrate

Iron(II) di-gluconate dihydrate

**Einecs** 206-076-3

Chemical formulae  $C_{12}H_{22}FeO_{14}\cdot 2H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 482,17

Assay Content not less than 95 % on the dried basis

Description Pale greenish-yellow to yellowish-grey powder or granules, which may have a faint odour of burnt sugar

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble with slight heating in water. Practically insoluble

Between 4 and 5,5

in ethanol

B. Positive test for ferrous ion

C. Formation of phenylhydrazine derivative of gluconic acid positive

D. pH of a 10 % solution

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 10 % (105 °C, 16 hours)

Oxalic acid

Iron (Fe III)

Arsenic

Not detectable

Not more than 2 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Reducing substances Not more than 0,5 % expressed as glucose

# E 585 FERROUS LACTATE

Synonyms Iron(II) lactate

Iron(II) 2-hydroxy propanoate

Propanoic acid, 2-hydroxy-iron(2 +) salt (2:1)

Definition

Chemical name Ferrous 2-hydroxy propanoate

**Einecs** 227-608-0

Chemical formulae  $C_6H_{10}FeO_6:xH_2O$  (x = 2 or 3)

Molecular weight 270,02 (dihydrate)

288,03 (trihydrate)

Assay Content not less than 96 % on the dried basis

Description Greenish-white crystals or light green powder having a

characteristic smell

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water. Practically insoluble in ethanol

B. Positive test for ferrous ion and for

lactate

C. pH of a 2 % solution Between 4 and 6

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 18 % (100 °C, under vacuum, approxi-

mately 700 mm Hg)

Iron (Fe III)

Arsenic

Not more than 0,6 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Cadmium

Not more than 1 mg/kg

**▼** M4

# E 650 ZINC ACETATE

Synonyms Acetic acid, zinc salt, dihydrate

Definition

Molecular weight 219,51

Assay Content not less than 98 % and not more than 102 % of

C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Zn · 2H<sub>2</sub>O

Description Colourless crystals or fine, off-white powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for acetate and for zinc

B. pH of a 5 % solution Between 6,0 and 8,0

Purity

Insoluble matter

Chlorides

Not more than 0,005 %

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Sulphates

Not more than 100 mg/kg

Not more than 100 mg/kg

Not more than 0,2 %

# **▼**<u>M4</u>

Organic volatile impurities Passes test

Iron Not more than 50 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Not more than 20 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 5 mg/kg

# E 943a BUTANE

Synonyms n-Butane

Definition

Chemical name Butane

Chemical formula CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>

Molecular weight 58,12

Assay Content not less than 96 %

Description Colourless gas or liquid with mild, characteristic odour

Identification

A. Vapour pressure 108,935 kPa at 20 °C

**Purity** 

Methane

Not more than 0,15 % v/v

Propane

Not more than 0,5 % v/v

Not more than 1,5 % v/v

Not more than 3,0 % v/v

Not more than 3,0 % v/v

Not more than 0,1 % v/v

Not more than 0,005 %

# E 943b ISOBUTANE

**Synonyms** 2-methyl propane

Definition

Chemical name 2-methyl propane Chemical formula (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH CH<sub>3</sub>

Molecular weight 58,12

Assay Content not less than 94 %

Description Colourless gas or liquid with mild, characteristic odour

Identification

A. Vapour pressure 205,465 kPa at 20 °C

**Purity** 

Methane

Not more than 0,15 % v/v

Propane

Not more than 0,5 % v/v

Not more than 2,0 % v/v

Not more than 4,0 % v/v

Not more than 0,1 % v/v

Not more than 0,1 % v/v

Not more than 0,005 %

# E 944 PROPANE

Definition

Chemical namePropaneChemical formulaCH3CH2CH3Molecular weight44,09

Assay Content not less than 95 %

Description Colourless gas or liquid with mild, characteristic odour

Identification

A. Vapour pressure 732,910 kPa at 20 °C

Purity

Methane

Not more than 0,15 % v/v

Not more than 1,5 % v/v

Isobutane

Not more than 2,0 % v/v

Not more than 1,0 % v/v

Not more than 0,1 % v/v

Not more than 0,1 % v/v

Not more than 0,005 %

#### E 949 HYDROGEN

Definition

Chemical nameHydrogenEinecs215-605-7Chemical formula $H_2$ Molecular weight2

Assay Content not less than 99,9 %

Description Colourless, odourless, highly flammable gas

Purity

Water Not more than 0,005 % v/v Not more than 0,001 % v/v Nitrogen Not more than 0,75 % v/v

**▼**B

# E 1105 LYSOZYME

Synonyms Lysozyme hydrochloride

Muramidase

**Definition** Lysozyme is a linear polypeptide obtained from hens'

egg whites consisting of 129 amino acids. It possesses enzymatic activity in its ability to hydrolyse the  $\beta(1-4)$  linkages between N-acetylmuramic acid and N-acetylglucosamine in the outer membranes of bacterial species, in particular gram-positive organisms. Is usually obtained

Enzyme Commission (EC) No: 3.2.1.17

as the hydrochloride

 Einecs
 232-620-4

 Molecular weight
 About 14 000

Assay Content not less than 950 mg/g on the anhydrous basis

Description White, odourless powder having a slightly sweet taste

Identification

Chemical name

A. Isoelectric point 10,7

B. pH of a 2 % aqueous solution between 3,0 and 3,6

C. Absorption maximum of an aqueous solution (25 mg/100 ml) at 281 nm, a minimum at 252 nm

Purity

Water content Not more than 6,0 % (Karl Fischer method) (powder

form only)

Residue on ignition Not more than 1,5 %

Nitrogen Not less than 16,8 % and not more than 17,8 %

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg

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Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

Heavy metals (as Pb) Not more than 10 mg/kg

Microbiological criteria

Total bacterial count Not more than  $5 \times 10^4$  col/g

Salmonellae Absent in 25 g
Staphylococcus aureus Absent in 1 g
Escherichia coli Absent in 1 g

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# E 1201 POLYVINYLPYRROLIDONE

**Synonyms** Povidone

PVP

Soluble polyvinylpyrrolidone

Definition

Chemical name Polyvinylpyrrolidone, poly-[1-(2-oxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)-

ethylene]

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_9NO)_n$ 

Molecular weight Not less than 25 000

Assay Content not less than 11,5 % and not more than 12,8 %

of nitrogen (N) on the anhydrous basis

Description White or nearly white powder

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water and in ethanol. Insoluble in ether

B. pH of a 5 % solution Between 3,0 and 7,0

Purity

Water Not more than 5 % (Karl Fischer)

Total ash Not more than 0,1 %

Aldehyde Not more than 500 mg/kg (as acetaldehyde)

Free-N-vinylpyrrolidone

Hydrazine

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

#### E 1202 POLYVINYLPOLYPYRROLIDONE

Synonyms Crospovidone

Cross linked polyvidone

Insoluble polyvinylpyrrolidone

**Definition** Polyvinylpolypyrrolidone is a poly-[1-(2-oxo-1-pyrro-

lidinyl)-ethylene], cross linked in a random fashion. It is produced by the polymerisation of N-vinyl-2-pyrrolidone in the presence of either caustic catalyst or N, N'-divinyl-imidazolidone. Due to its insolubility in all common solvents the molecular weight range is not

amenable to analytical determination

Chemical name Polyvinylpyrrolidone, poly-[1-(2-oxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)-

ethylene]

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_9NO)_n$ 

Assay Content not less than 11 % and not more than 12,8 %

nitrogen (N) on the anhydrous basis

Description A white hygroscopic powder with a faint, non-objec-

tionable odour

Identification

A. Solubility

Insoluble in water, ethanol and ether

B. pH of a 1 % suspension in water

Between 5.0 and 8.0

Purity

Water

Not more than 6 % (Karl Fischer)

Sulphated ash

Water-soluble matter

Free-N-vinylpyrrolidone

Free-N,N'-divinyl-imidazolidone

Lead

Not more than 0,4 %

Not more than 1 %

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

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# POLYETHYLENE GLYCOL 6000

Synonyms PEG 6000

**Definition** Polyethylene glycol 6000 is a mixture of polymers with

the general formula H — (OCH $_2$  — CH) — OH corresponding to an average relative molecular mass of

approximately 6 000

Chemical formula  $(C_2H_4O)_n$   $H_2O$  (n = number of ethylene oxide units)

Macrogol 6000

corresponding to a molecular weight of 6 000, about

140)

*Molecular weight* 5 600 — 7 000

Assay Not less than 90,0 % and not more than 110,0 %

Description A white or almost white solid with a waxy or paraffin-

like appearance

Identification

A. Solubility Very soluble in water and in methylene chloride. Prac-

tically insoluble in alcohol, in ether and in fatty and

mineral oils

B. Melting range Between 55 °C and 61 °C

Purity

Viscosity

Between 0,220 and 0,275 kgm<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> at 20 °C

Hydroxyl value

Sulphated ash

Ethylene oxide

Arsenic

Between 16 and 22

Not more than 0,2 %

Not more than 0,2 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead **▼ M2** 

# E 296 MALIC ACID

Synonyms Definition

Chemical name

DL-Malic acid, pomalous acid

Not more than 5 mg/kg

DL-Malic acid, hydroxybutanedioic acid, hydroxy-

succinic acid 230-022-8

Einecs 2: Chemical formula C

C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

Molecular weight 134,09

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description White or nearly white crystalline powder or granules

Identification

A. Melting range between 127  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$  and 132  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ 

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B. Positive test for malate

C. Solutions of this substance are optically inactive in all concentrations

#### **Purity**

Sulphated ash
Fumaric acid
Maleic acid
Arsenic
Lead
Not more than 0,1 %
Not more than 1,0 %
Not more than 0,05 %
Not more than 3 mg/kg
Not more than 5 mg/kg
Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 297 FUMARIC ACID

# Definition

Chemical name Trans-butenedioic acid, trans-1,2-ethylene-dicarboxylic

acid

Molecular weight 116,07

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White crystalline powder or granules

Identification

A. Melting range 286 °C - 302 °C (closed capillary, rapid heating)

B. Positive tests for double bonds and for 1,2-dicarboxylic acid

C. pH of a 0,05 % solution at 25 °C 3,0 - 3,2

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (120 °C, 4h)

Sulphated ash

Maleic acid

Arsenic

Lead

Mot more than 0,1 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 343(i) MONOMAGNESIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Magnesiumdihydrogenphosphate

Magnesiumphosphate, monobasic Monomagnesium orthophosphate

Definition

Chemical name Monomagnesiumdihydrogenmonophosphate

**Einecs** 236-004-6

Chemical formula  $Mg(H_2PO_4)_2 \cdot nH_2O$  (where n = 0 to 4)

Molecular weight 218,30 (anhydrous)

Assay Not less than 51,0 % after ignition

Description White, odourless, crystalline powder, slightly soluble in

water

Identification

A. Positive test for magnesium and for

phosphate

B. MgO content

Not less than 21,5 % after ignition

Purity

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 343(ii) DIMAGNESIUM PHOSPHATE

Synonyms Magnesiumhydrogenphosphate

Magnesiumphosphate, dibasic Dimagnesium orthophosphate Secondary magnesiumphosphate

Definition

Chemical name Dimagnesiummonohydrogenmonophosphate

**Einecs** 231-823-5

Chemical formula  $MgHPO_4:nH_2O$  (where n = 0 - 3)

Molecular weight 120,30 (anhydrous)

Assay Not less than 96 % after ignition

Description White, odourless, crystalline powder, slightly soluble in

water

Identification

A. Positive test for magnesium and for

phosphate

B. MgO content: Not less than 33,0 % calculated on an anhydrous basis

Purity

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg (as fluorine)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 350 (i) SODIUM MALATE

Synonyms Sodium salt of malic acid

Definition

Chemical name Disodium DL-malate, disodium salt of hydroxybuta-

nedioic acid

Chemical formula Hemihydrate: C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O

 $Trihydrate:\ C_4H_4Na_2O_5{\cdot}3H_2O$ 

Molecular weight Hemihydrate: 187,05

Trihydrate: 232,10

Assay Content not less than 98,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White crystalline powder or lumps

Identification

A. Positive tests for 1,2-dicarboxylic

acid and for sodium

B. Azo dye formation Positive

C. Solubility Freely soluble in water

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 7,0 % (130 °C, 4h) for the hemihydrate, or 20,5 % - 23,5 % (130 °C, 4h) for the trihydrate

Alkalinity Not more than

0,2 %

 $Na_{2}CO_{3} \\$ 

Fumaric acid

Maleic acid

Not more than 1,0 %

Not more than 0,05 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 350 (ii) SODIUM HYDROGEN MALATE

Synonyms Monosodium salt of DL-malic acid

Definition

Chemical name Monosodium DL-malate, monosodium 2-DL-hydroxy

succinate

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} & \quad C_4 H_5 NaO_5 \\ \textit{Molecular weight} & \quad 156,07 \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for 1,2-dicarboxylic

acid and for sodium

B. Azo dye formation Positive

**Purity** 

Loss on drying Not more than 2,0 % (110 °C, 3h)

Maleic acid

Fumaric acid

Arsenic

Lead

Mot more than 0,05 %

Not more than 1,0 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 351 POTASSIUM MALATE

Synonyms Potassium salt of malic acid

Definition

Chemical name Dipotassium DL-malate, dipotassium salt of hydroxybu-

tanedioic acid

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} \\ \textit{Molecular weight} \end{array} \hspace{0.2in} \begin{array}{c} C_4H_4K_2O_5 \\ 210,27 \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 59,5 %

Description Colourless or almost colourless aqueous solution

Identification

A. Positive tests for 1,2-dicarboxylic

acid and for potassium

B. Azo dye formation Positive

**Purity** 

Alkalinity Not more than 0,2 % as K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>

Fumaric acid

Mot more than 1,0 %

Not more than 0,05 %

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

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# E 352 (i) CALCIUM MALATE

Synonyms Calcium salt of malic acid

Definition

Chemical name Calcium DL-malate, calcium-α-hydroxysuccinate,

calcium salt of hydroxybutanedioic acid

Chemical formula C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CaO<sub>5</sub>
Molecular weight 172,14

Assay Content not less than 97,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for malate, 1,2-dicarboxylic acid and for calcium

B. Azo dye formation Positive

C. Solubility Slightly soluble in water

**Purity** 

Loss on drying Not more than 2 % (100 °C, 3h)
Alkalinity Not more than 0,2 % as CaCO<sub>3</sub>

Maleic acid

Fumaric acid

Not more than 0,05 %

Not more than 1,0 %

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 352 (ii) CALCIUM HYDROGEN MALATE

Synonyms Monocalcium salt of DL-malic acid

Definition

Chemical name Monocalcium DL-malate, monocalcium 2-DL-hydroxy-

succinate

Chemical formula  $(C_4H_5O_5)_2Ca$ 

Assay Content not less than 97,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for 1,2-dicarboxylic

acid and for calcium

B. Azo dye formation Positive

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 2,0 % (110 °C, 3h)

Maleic acid

Fumaric acid

Not more than 0,05 %

Not more than 1,0 %

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1

mg/kg

#### E 355 ADIPIC ACID

Definition

Chemical name Hexanedioic acid, 1,4-butanedicarboxylic acid

EINECS204-673-3Chemical formula $C_6H_{10}O_4$ Molecular weight146,14

Assay Content not less than 99,6 %

Description White odourless crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Melting range 151,5-154,0 °C

B. Solubility Slightly soluble in water. Freely soluble in ethanol

**Purity** 

Water Not more than 0,2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Sulphated ash
Arsenic

Lead

Mot more than 20 mg/kg
Not more than 3 mg/kg
Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 363 SUCCINIC ACID

Definition

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} & \quad C_4 H_6 O \\ \textit{Molecular weight} & \quad 118,09 \end{array}$ 

Assay Content no less than 99,0 %

Description Colourless or white, odourless crystals

Identification

A. Melting range Between 185,0 °C and 190,0 °C

**Purity** 

Residue on ignition Not more than 0,025 % (800 °C, 15 min)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 380 TRIAMMONIUM CITRATE

Synonyms Tribasic ammonium citrate

Definition

**EINECS** 

Chemical name

Triammonium salt of 2-hydroxypropan-1,2,3-tricar-boxylic acid

222-394-5 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} \\ \textit{Molecular weight} \end{array} \hspace{0.2in} \begin{array}{c} C_6H_{17}N_3O \\ 243,22 \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 97,0 %

Description White to off-white crystals or powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for ammonium and for

citrate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water

Purity

Oxalate Not more than 0,04 % (as oxalic acid)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 452(iii) SODIUM CALCIUM POLYPHOSPHATE

Synonym Sodium calcium polyphosphate, glassy

Definition

Chemical name Sodium calcium polyphosphate

**EINECS** 233-782-9

Chemical formula (NaPO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>n</sub>CaO where n is typically 5

Assay Not less than 61 % and not more than 69 % as P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

Description White glassy crystals, spheres

Identification

A. pH of a 1 % m/m slurry

B. CaO content

Approximately 5 to 7

7 %-15 % m/m

Purity

Fluoride Not more than 10 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

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### E 459 BETA-CYCLODEXTRIN

**Definition** Beta-cyclodextrin is a non-reducing cyclic saccharide

consisting of seven α-1,4-linked D-glucopyranosyl units. The product is manufactured by the action of the enzyme cycloglycosyltransferase (CGTase) obtained from Bacillus circulans, Paenibacillus macerans or recombinant Bacillus licheniformis strain SJ1608 on

partially hydrolysed starch.

Chemical name Cycloheptaamylose

EINECS231-493-2Chemical formula $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_7$ Molecular weight1 135

Assay Content not less than 98.0 % of  $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_7$  on an

anhydrous basis

Description Virtually odourless white or almost white crystalline

solid

Identification

A. Solubility Sparingly soluble in water; freely soluble in hot water;

slightly soluble in ethanol

B. Specific rotation [a]  $^{25}_{D}$ : +160 ° to +164 ° (1 % solution)

Purity

Water Not more than 14 % (Karl Fischer method)

Other cyclodextrins Not more than 2 % on an anhydrous basis

Residual solvents (toluene and trichlor- Not more than 1 mg/kg for each solvent

oethylene)

Sulphated ash

Arsenic

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 1 mg/kg

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### E 468 CROSS-LINKED SODIUM CARBOXYMETHYLCELLULOSE

Synonyms Cross-linked carboxymethyl cellulose

Cross-linked CMC

Cross-linked sodium CMC Cross-linked cellulose gum

Definition Cross-linked sodium carboxymethyl cellulose is the

sodium salt of thermally cross-linked partly O-carboxy-

methylated cellulose

Chemical name Sodium salt of the cross-linked carboxymethyl ether

cellulose

Chemical formula The polymers containing substituted anhydroglucose

units with the general formula:

 $C_6H_7O_2(OR_1)(OR_2)(OR_3) \\$ 

where R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> may be any of the following:

— Н

— CH<sub>2</sub>COONa

— CH<sub>2</sub>COOH

Description Slightly hygroscopic, white to off white, odourless

powder

Identification

A. Shake 1 g with 100 ml of a solution containing 4 mg/kg methylene blue and allow to settle. The substance to be examined absorbs the methylene blue and settles as a

blue, fibrous mass

B. Shake 1 g with 50 ml of water. Transfer 1 ml of the

mixture to a test tube, add 1 ml water and 0,05 ml of freshly prepared 40 g/l solution of alpha-naphthol in methanol. Incline the test tube and add carefully 2 ml of sulphuric acid down the side so that it forms a lower layer. A reddish-violet colour develops at the interface

It gives the reaction of sodium

C. **Purity** 

Loss on drying Not more than 6 % (105 °C, 3h)

Water solubles Not more than 10 %

Degree of substitution Not less than 0,2 and not more than 1,5 carboxymethyl

groups per anhydroglucose unit

pH of 1 % Not less than 5,0 and not more than 7,0 Sodium content Not more than 12,4 % on anhydrous basis

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 469 ENZYMATICALLY HYDROLYSED CARBOXYMETHYLCELLULOSE

Synonyms Sodium carboxymethyl cellulose, enzymatically

hydrolysed

**Definition**Enzymatically hydrolysed carboxymethylcellulose is obtained from carboxymethylcellulose by enzymatic digestion with a cellulase produced by *Trichoderma* 

longibrachiatum (formerly T. reesei)

Chemical name

Carboxymethyl cellulose, sodium, partially enzymatically hydrolysed

Chemical formula

Sodium salts of polymers containing substituted anhydroglucose units with the general formula:

 $[C_6H_7O_2(OH)_x(OCH_2COONa)_v]_n$ 

where n is the degree of polymerisation

x = 1,50 to 2,80

y = 0.2 to 1.50

x + y = 3.0

(y = degree of substitution)

178,14 where y = 0,20

282,18 where y = 1,50

Macromolecules: Not less than 800 (n about 4)

Not less than 99,5 %, including mono- and disac-

charides, on the dried basis

White or slightly yellowish or greyish, odourless, slightly hygroscopic granular or fibrous powder

Identification

Description

Assay

A. Solubility

Formula weight

Soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

B. Foam test

Vigorously shake a 0,1 % solution of the sample. No layer of foam appears. This test distinguishes sodium carboxymethyl cellulose, whether hydrolysed or not, from other cellulose ethers and from alginates and

C. Precipitate formation

To 5 ml of a 0,5 % solution of the sample add 5 ml of a 5 % solution of copper or aluminium sulphate. A precipitate appears. This test distinguishes sodium carboxymethyl cellulose, whether hydrolysed or not, from other cellulose ethers and from gelatine, carob bean gum and tragacanth gum

D. Colour reaction

Add 0,5 g of the powdered sample to 50 ml of water, while stirring to produce a uniform dispersion. Continue the stirring until a clear solution is produced. Dilute 1 ml of the solution with 1 ml of water in a small test tube. Add 5 drops of 1-naphthol TS. Incline the tube, and carefully introduce down the side of the tube 2 ml of sulphuric acid so that it forms a lower layer. A redpurple colour develops at the interface

E. Viscosity (60 % solids)

Not less than 2,500 kgm<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> at 25 °C corresponding to an average molecule weight of 5 000 D

Purity

Loss on drying

Not more than 12 % (105 °C to constant weight)

Degree of substitution

Not less than 0,2 and not more than 1,5 carboxymethyl groups per anhydroglucose unit on the dried basis

pH of a 1 % colloidal solution

Not less than 6,0 and not more than 8,5

Sodium chloride and sodium glycolate

Not more than 0,5 % singly or in combination

Residual enzyme activity

Passes test. No change in viscosity of test solution occurs, which indicates hydrolysis of the sodium carboxymethyl cellulose

Lead

Not more than 3 mg/kg

E 500(i) SODIUM CARBONATE

**Synonyms** 

Soda ash

Definition

Sodium carbonate

Chemical name

207-838-8

**EINECS** 

 $Na_2CO_3 \cdot nH_2O$  (n = 0, 1 or 10) Chemical formula

Molecular weight 106,00 (anhydrous)

Assay Content not less than 99 % of Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> on the anhydrous

Colourless crystals or white, granular or crystalline Description

powder

The anhydrous form is hygroscopic, the decahydrate

efflorescent

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for

carbonate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

**Purity** 

Not more than 2 % (anhydrous), 15 % (monohydrate) or 55 %-65 % (decahydrate) (70  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$  raising gradually to Loss on drying

300 °C, to constant weight)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury

# E 500(ii) SODIUM HYDROGEN CARBONATE

**Synonyms** Sodium bicarbonate, sodium acid carbonate, bicarbonate

of soda, baking soda

Definition

Chemical name Sodium hydrogen carbonate

**EINECS** 205-633-8 Chemical formula NaHCO<sub>3</sub> Molecular weight 84,01

Assay Content not less than 99 % on the anhydrous basis Description Colourless or white crystalline masses or crystalline

powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for

carbonate

B. pH of a 1 % solution Between 8,0 and 8,6

C. Solubility Soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

**Purity** 

Not more than 0,25 % (over silica gel, 4h) Loss on drying Ammonium salts No odour of ammonia detectable after heating

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 500(iii) SODIUM SESQUICARBONATE

### Definition

Chemical name Sodium monohydrogen dicarbonate

**EINECS** 208-580-9

Chemical formula  $Na_2(CO)_3 \cdot NaHCO_3 \cdot 2H_2O$ 

Molecular weight

Content between 35,0 % and 38,6 % of NaHCO3 and Assay

between 46,4 % and 50,0 % of Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>

Description White flakes, crystals or crystalline powder

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for carbonate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water

#### Purity

Sodium chloride

Iron

Not more than 0,5 %

Not more than 20 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 501(i) POTASSIUM CARBONATE

#### Definition

Chemical name Potassium carbonate

**EINECS** 209-529-3

Chemical formula  $K_2CO_3 \cdot nH_2O$  (n = 0 or 1,5)

Molecular weight 138,21 (anhydrous)

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White, very deliquescent powder.

The hydrate occurs as small, white, translucent crystals

or granules

# Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium and for carbonate

B. Solubility Very soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

#### **Purity**

Loss on drying Not more than 5 % (anhydrous) or 18 % (hydrate)

(180 °C, 4h)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 501(ii) POTASSIUM HYDROGEN CARBONATE

Synonyms Potassium bicarbonate, acid potassium carbonate

# Definition

Chemical name Potassium hydrogen carbonate

EINECS 206-059-0
Chemical formula KHCO<sub>3</sub>
Molecular weight 100,11

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % and not more than 101,0 %

KHCO<sub>3</sub> on the anhydrous basis

Description Colourless crystals or white powder or granules

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium and for carbonate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

### **Purity**

Loss on drying Not more than 0,25 % (over silica gel, 4h)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 503(i) AMMONIUM CARBONATE

**Definition** Ammonium carbonate consists of ammonium carbamate,

ammonium carbonate and ammonium hydrogen

carbonate in varying proportions

Chemical name Ammonium carbonate

**EINECS** 233-786-0

Chemical formula CH<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>8</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and CH<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>

Molecular weight Ammonium carbamate 78,06; ammonium carbonate

98,73; ammonium hydrogen carbonate 79,06

Assay Content not less

than 30,0 % and not more than 34,0 % of  $NH_3$ 

Description White powder or hard, white or translucent masses or

crystals. Becomes opaque on exposure to air and is finally converted into white porous lumps or powder (of ammonium bicarbonate) due to loss of ammonia

and carbon dioxide

Identification

A. Positive tests for ammonium and for carbonate

B. pH of a 5 % solution about 8,6

C. Soluble in water

**Purity** 

Non-volatile matter

Chlorides

Not more than 500 mg/kg

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 503(ii) AMMONIUM HYDROGEN CARBONATE

Synonyms Ammonium bicarbonate

Definition

Chemical name Ammonium hydrogen carbonate

EINECS213-911-5Chemical formula $CH_5NO_3$ Molecular weight79,06

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description White crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for ammonium and for

carbonate

B. pH of a 5 % solution about 8,0

C. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Non-volatile matter Not more than 500 mg/kg
Chlorides Not more than 30 mg/kg

Sulphate Not more than 30 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 507 HYDROCHLORIC ACID

Synonyms Hydrogen chloride, muriatic acid

**Definition** 

Chemical name Hydrochloric acid

EINECS 231-595-7
Chemical formula HCl

Molecular weight 36,46

Assay Hydrochloric acid is commercially available in varying

concentrations. Concentrated hydrochloric acid contains

not less than 35,0 % HCl

Clear, colourless or slightly yellowish, corrosive liquid

having a pungent odour

Identification

Description

A. Positive tests for acid and for

chloride

B. Solubility

Soluble in water and in ethanol

**Purity** 

Total organic compounds (non-fluorine containing): not

more than 5 mg/kg

Benzene: not more than 0,05 mg/kg

Fluorinated compounds (total): not more than 25 mg/kg

Non-volatile matter Not more than 0,5 %

Reducing substances Not more than 70 mg/kg (as  $SO_2$ ) Oxidising substances Not more than 30 mg/kg (as  $Cl_2$ )

Sulphate Not more than 0,5 %
Iron Not more than 5 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 509 CALCIUM CHLORIDE

Definition

Chemical name Calcium chloride

**EINECS** 233-140-8

Chemical formula  $CaCl_2 \cdot nH_2O \ (n = 0,2 \text{ or } 6)$ 

Molecular weight 110,99 (anhydrous), 147,02 (dihydrate), 219,08 (hexa-

hydrate

crystals

Assay Content not less than 93,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description White, odourless, hygroscopic powder or deliquescent

Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium and for chloride

B. Solubility Anhydrous calcium chloride: freely soluble in water and

ethano

Dihydrate: freely soluble in water, soluble in ethanol Hexahydrate: very soluble in water and ethanol

**Purity** 

Magnesium and alkali salts

Not more than 5 % on the anhydrous basis

Fluoride Not more than 40 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Not more than 10 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 511 MAGNESIUM CHLORIDE

Definition

Chemical name Magnesium chloride

EINECS 232-094-6

Chemical formula MgCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 203,30

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description Colourless, odourless, very deliquescent flakes or

crystals

Identification

A. Positive tests for magnesium and for chloride

B. Solubility Very soluble in water, freely soluble in ethanol

**Purity** 

Ammonium

Arsenic

Lead

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 512 STANNOUS CHLORIDE

Synonyms Tin chloride, tin dichloride

Definition

Chemical name Stannous chloride dihydrate

EINECS 231-868-0
Chemical formula SnCl<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O
Molecular weight 225,63

Assay Content not less than 98,0 %
Description Colourless or white crystals

May have a slight odour of hydrochloric acid

Identification

A. Positive tests for tin (II) and for chloride

B. Solubility Water: soluble in less than its own weight of water, but

it forms an insoluble basic salt with excess water

Ethanol: soluble

Purity

Sulphate Not more than 30 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 2 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

E 513 SULPHURIC ACID

Synonyms Oil of vitriol, dihydrogen sulphate

Definition

Chemical nameSulphuric acidEINECS231-639-5Chemical formulaH2SO4Molecular weight98,07

Molecular weight 98
Assav Su

Sulphuric acid is commercially available in varying concentrations. The concentrated form contains not less

than 96,0 %

Description Clear, colourless or slightly brown, very corrosive oily

liquid

Identification

A. Positive tests for acid and for sulphate

B. Solubility Miscible with water, with generation of much heat, also

with ethanol

Purity

Ash Not more than 0,02 %

Reducing matter Not more than 40 mg/kg (as SO<sub>2</sub>)

Nitrate Not more than 10 mg/kg (on H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> basis)

Chloride Not more than 50 mg/kg
Iron Not more than 20 mg/kg
Selenium Not more than 20 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Not more than 3 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 514(i) SODIUM SULPHATE

Definition

Chemical name Sodium sulphate

Chemical formula  $Na_2SO_4$ ·nH<sub>2</sub>O (n = 0 or 10)

Molecular weight 142,04 (anhydrous) 322,04 (decahydrate)

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Colourless crystals or a fine, white, crystalline powder

The decahydrate is efflorescent

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for sulphate

B. Acidity of a 5 % solution: neutral or slightly alkaline to litmus paper

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 1,0 % (anhydrous) or not more than 57 %

(decahydrate) at 130 °C

Selenium Not more than 30 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 514(ii) SODIUM HYDROGEN SULPHATE

Synonyms Acid sodium sulphate, sodium bisulphate, nitre cake

Definition

Chemical name Sodium hydrogen sulphate

Chemical formula NaHSO<sub>4</sub>
Molecular weight 120,06

Assay Content not less than 95,2 %

Description White, odourless crystals or granules

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium and for sulphate

B. Solutions are strongly acidic

### **Purity**

Loss on drying

Water insoluble

Selenium

Arsenic

Lead

Mot more than 0,05 %

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 515(i) POTASSIUM SULPHATE

#### Definition

Chemical name Potassium sulphate

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description Colourless or white crystals or crystalline powder

# Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium and for sulphate

B. pH of a 5 % solution Between 5,5 and 8,5

C. Solubility Freely soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

#### **Purity**

Selenium

Arsenic

Lead

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 515(ii) POTASSIUM HYDROGEN SULPHATE

#### Definition

Synonyms Potassium bisulphate, potassium acid sulphate

Chemical name Potassium hydrogen sulphate

Chemical formula KHSO<sub>4</sub>
Molecular weight 136,17

Assay Content not less than 99 %

Melting point 197 °C

Description White deliquescent crystals, pieces or granules

#### Identification

A. Positive test for potassium

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

#### **Purity**

Selenium Not more than 30 mg/kg

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 516 CALCIUM SULPHATE

Synonyms Gypsum, selenite, anhydrite

Definition

Chemical name Calcium sulphate EINECS 231-900-3

Chemical formula  $CaSO_4:nH_2O$  (n = 0 or 2)

Molecular weight 136,14 (anhydrous), 172,18 (dihydrate)

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Fine, white to slightly yellowish-white odourless powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium and for sulphate

B. Solubility Slightly soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Loss on drying Anhydrous: not more than 1,5 % (250 °C, constant

weight)

Dihydrate: not more than 23 % (ibid.)

Fluoride Not more than 30 mg/kg
Selenium Not more than 30 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 517 AMMONIUM SULPHATE

Definition

Chemical name Ammonium sulphate

EINECS231-984-1Chemical formula $(NH_4)_2SO_4$ Molecular weight132,14

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % and not more than 100,5 % Description White powder, shining plates or crystalline fragments

Identification

A. Positive tests for ammonium and for sulphate

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Loss on ignition

Not more than 0,25 %

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

E 520 ALUMINIUM SULPHATE

Synonyms Alum

Definition

Chemical name Aluminium sulphate

EINECS233-135-0Chemical formula $Al_2(SO_4)_3$ 

Molecular weight 342,13

Assay Content not less than 99,5 % on the ignited basis

Description White powder, shining plates or crystalline fragments

Identification

A. Positive tests for aluminium and for sulphate

B. pH of a 5 % solution 2,9 or above

C. Solubility

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 5 % (500 °C, 3h)

Alkalies and alkaline earths

Selenium

Not more than 0,4 %

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 521 ALUMINIUM SODIUM SULPHATE

Synonyms Soda alum, sodium alum

Definition

Chemical name Aluminium sodium sulphate

**EINECS** 233-277-3

Chemical formula  $AINa(SO_4)_2 \cdot nH_2O$  (n = 0 or 12)

Molecular weight 242,09 (anhydrous)

Assay Content on the anhydrous basis not less than 96,5 %

(anhydrous) and 99,5 % (dodecahydrate)

Freely soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

Description Transparent crystals or white crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for aluminium, for sodium and for sulphate

B. Solubility Dodecahydrate is freely soluble in water. The anhydrous

form is slowly soluble in water. Both forms are insoluble

in ethanol

Purity

Loss on drying Anhydrous form: not more than 10,0 % (220 °C, 16h)

Dodecahydrate: not more than 47,2 % (50 °C-55 °C, 1h

then 200 °C, 16h)

Ammonium salts No odour of ammonia detectable after heating

Selenium

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 522 ALUMINIUM POTASSIUM SULPHATE

Synonyms Potassium alum, potash alum

Definition

Chemical name Aluminium potassium sulphate dodecahydrate

**EINECS** 233-141-3

Chemical formula  $AlK(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 474,38

Assay Content not less than 99,5 %

Description

Large, transparent crystals or white crystalline powder

#### Identification

A. Positive tests for aluminium, for potassium and for sulphate

B. pH of a 10 % solution between 3,0 and 4,0

C. Solubility

Freely soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol

#### Purity

Ammonium salts No odour of ammonia detectable after heating

Selenium

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 523 ALUMINIUM AMMONIUM SULPHATE

**Synonyms** 

Definition

Aluminium ammonium sulphate

Ammonium alum

Chemical name

EINECS

232-055-3

Chemical formula

 $AINH_4(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$ 

Not more than 0,5 %

Molecular weight

453,32

Assay

B. Solubility

Content not less than 99,5 % Large, colourless crystals or white powder

Description

Identification

A. Positive tests for aluminium, for

ammonium and for sulphate

Freely soluble in water, soluble in ethanol

Purity

Alkali metals and alkaline earths

Selenium

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 30 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 524 SODIUM HYDROXIDE

Synonyms

Caustic soda, lye

Definition

Chemical name Sodium hydroxide

**EINECS**Chemical formula

215-185-5

Molecular weight

NaOH 40.0

Assay

Content of solid forms not less than 98,0 % of total alkali (as NaOH). Content of solutions accordingly, based on the stated or labelled percentage of NaOH

Description

White or nearly white pellets, flakes, sticks, fused masses or other forms. Solutions are clear or slightly turbid, colourless or slightly coloured, strongly caustic and hygroscopic and

when exposed to the air they absorb carbon dioxide, forming sodium carbonate

# Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium

B. A 1 % solution is strongly alkaline

C. Solubility

Very soluble in water. Freely soluble in ethanol

Purity

Water insoluble and organic matter

A 5 % solution is completely clear and colourless to

slightly coloured

Not more than 0,5 % (as Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>) Carbonate

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 0,5 mg/kg Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury

#### E 525 POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE

**Synonyms** 

Caustic potash

Definition

Chemical name Potassium hydroxide

**EINECS** 215-181-3 Chemical formula KOH Molecular weight 56,11

Content not less than 85,0 % of alkali calculated as Assay

KOH

Description White or nearly white pellets, flakes, sticks, fused

masses or other forms

Identification

A. Positive tests for potassium

B. A 1 % solution is strongly alkaline

C. Solubility

Very soluble in water. Freely soluble in ethanol

**Purity** 

Water insoluble matter

A 5 % solution is completely clear and colourless Carbonate

Not more than  $K_2CO_3$ )

glycerol

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 10 mg/kg Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury

### E 526 CALCIUM HYDROXIDE

**Synonyms** Definition

Slaked lime, hydrated lime

Chemical name Calcium hydroxide

**EINECS** 215-137-3 Ca(OH), Chemical formula Molecular weight 74,09

Content not less than 92,0 % Assay

White powder Description

Identification

A. Positive tests for alkali and for calcium

B. Solubility

Slightly soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol. Soluble in

**Purity** 

Acid insoluble ash Not more than 1,0 %

Magnesium and alkali salts Not more than 1,0 % Barium Not more than 300 mg/kg Fluoride Not more than 50 mg/kg

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 10 mg/kg

#### E 527 AMMONIUM HYDROXIDE

Synonyms Aqua ammonia, strong ammonia solution

Definition

Chemical name Ammonium hydroxide

Chemical formula NH<sub>4</sub>OH

Molecular weight 35,05

Assay Content not less than 27 % of NH<sub>3</sub>

Description Clear, colourless solution, having an exceedingly

pungent, characteristic odour

Identification

A. Positive tests for ammonia

Purity

Non-volatile matter

Arsenic

Not more than 0,02 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

### E 528 MAGNESIUM HYDROXIDE

Definition

Chemical name

Magnesium hydroxide

EINECS215-170-3Chemical formula $Mg(OH)_2$ Molecular weight58,32

Assay Content not less than 95,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, white bulky powder

Identification

A. Positive test for magnesium and for alkali

B. Solubility Practically insoluble in water and in ethanol

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 2,0 % (105 °C, 2h)

Loss on ignition Not more than 33 % (800 °C to constant weight)

Calcium oxide

Arsenic

Not more than 1,5 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 10 mg/kg

# E 529 CALCIUM OXIDE

Synonyms Burnt lime

Definition

Chemical name
Calcium oxide
EINECS
215-138-9
Chemical formula
CaO
Molecular weight
56,08

Assay Content not less than 95,0 % on the ignited basis

Description Odourless, hard, white or greyish white masses of

granules, or white to greyish powder

Identification

A. Positive test for alkali and for calcium

B. Heat is generated on moistening the sample with water

C. Solubility

Slightly soluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol. Soluble in glycerol

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 10,0 % (ca 800 °C to constant weight)

Acid insoluble matter

Barium

Not more than 1,0 %

Not more than 300 mg/kg

Magnesium and alkali salts

Not more than 1,5 %

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 10 mg/kg

### E 530 MAGNESIUM OXIDE

Definition

Chemical name Magnesium oxide

EINECS 215-171-9
Chemical formula MgO
Molecular weight 40,31

Assay Content not less than 98,0 % on the ignited basis

Description

A very bulky, white powder known as light magnesium oxide or a relative dense, white powder known as heavy magnesium oxide. 5 g of light magnesium oxide occupy a volume of 40 to 50 ml, while 5 g of heavy magnesium

oxide occupy a volume of 10 to 20 ml

Identification

A. Positive test for alkali and for magnesium

B. Solubility Practically insoluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Loss on ignition Not more than 5.0 % (ca 800 °C to constant weight)

Calcium oxide

Arsenic

Not more than 1,5 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 10 mg/kg

E 535 SODIUM FERROCYANIDE

Synonyms Yellow prussiate of soda, sodium hexacyanoferrate

Definition

Chemical name Sodium ferrocyanide

**EINECS** 237-081-9

Chemical formula  $Na_4Fe(CN)_6 \cdot 10H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 484,1

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description Yellow crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for sodium and for ferrocyanide

Purity

Free moisture Not more than 1,0 %

Water insoluble matter

Chloride

Not more than 0,03 %

Not more than 0,2 %

Not more than 0,1 %

Free cyanide Not detectable

Ferricyanide Not detectable

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

#### E 536 POTASSIUM FERROCYANIDE

Synonyms Yellow prussiate of potash, potassium hexacyanoferrate

Definition

Chemical name Potassium ferrocyanide

**EINECS** 237-722-2

Chemical formula  $K_4Fe(CN)6\cdot 3H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 422,4

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description Lemon yellow crystals

Identification

A. Positive test for potassium and for

ferrocyanide

**Purity** 

Free moisture

Water insoluble matter

Chloride

Sulphate

Not more than 0,03 %

Not more than 0,2 %

Not more than 0,1 %

Not detectable

Ferricyanide Not detectable
Not detectable

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

# E 538 CALCIUM FERROCYANIDE

Synonyms Yellow prussiate of lime, calcium hexacyanoferrate

Definition

Chemical name Calcium ferrocyanide

**EINECS** 215-476-7

Chemical formula  $Ca_2Fe(CN)_6\cdot 12H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 508,3

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description Yellow crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for calcium and for

ferrocyanide

Purity

Free moisture

Not more than 1,0 %

Water insoluble matter

Not more than 0,03 %

Chloride

Not more than 0,2 %

Sulphate

Not more than 0,1 %

Free cyanide

Not detectable

Not detectable

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

### E 541 SODIUM ALUMINIUM PHOSPHATE, ACIDIC

Synonyms SALP

Definition

Chemical name Sodium trialuminium tetradecahydrogen octaphosphate

tetrahydrate (A) or

Arsenic

Mercury

Lead

Trisodium dialuminium pentadecahydrogen octaphosphate (B) **EINECS** 232-090-4 Chemical formula  $NaAl_3H_{14}(PO_4)_8 \cdot 4H_2O$  (A)  $Na_3Al_2H_{15}(PO_4)_8$  (B) 949,88 (A) Molecular weight 897,82 (B) Content not less than 95,0 % (both forms) Assay Description White odourless powder Identification A. Positive test for sodium, for aluminium and for phosphate Acid to litmus C. Solubility Insoluble in water. Soluble in hydrochloric acid Purity Loss on ignition 19,5 % - 21,0 % (A) } (750 °C - 800 °C, 2h) 15 % - 16 % (B) } (750 °C - 800 °C, 2h) Fluoride Not more than 25 mg/kg Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 4 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg E 551 SILICON DIOXIDE Synonyms Silica, silicium dioxide Definition Silicon dioxide is an amorphous substance, which is produced synthetically by either a vapour-phase hydrolysis process, yielding fumed silica, or by a wet process, yielding precipitated silica, silica gel, or hydrous silica. Fumed silica is produced in essentially an anhydrous state, whereas the wet-process products are obtained as hydrates or contain surface absorbed water Chemical name Silicon dioxide **EINECS** 231-545-4 Chemical formula  $(SiO_2)_n$ Molecular weight 60,08 (SiO<sub>2</sub>) Assay Content after ignition not less than 99,0 % (fumed silica) or 94,0 % (hydrated forms) Description White, fluffy powder or granules Hygroscopic Identification A. Positive test for silica Purity Loss on drying Not more than 2,5 % (fumed silica, 105 °C, 2h) Not more than 8,0 % (precipitated silica and silica gel, 105 °C, 2h) Not more than 70 % (hydrous silica, 105 °C, 2h) Loss on ignition Not more than 2,5 % after drying (1 000 °C, fumed silica) Not more than 8,5 % after drying (1 000 °C, hydrated Soluble ionisable salts Not more than 5,0 % (as Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

#### E 552 CALCIUM SILICATE

**Definition** Calcium silicate is a hydrous or anhydrous silicate with

varying proportions of CaO and SiO<sub>2</sub>

Chemical name

Calcium silicate

**EINECS** 215-710-8

Assay Content on the anhydrous basis:

— as SiO<sub>2</sub> not less than 50 % and not more than 95 %

— as CaO not less than 3 % and not more than 35 %

White to off-white free-flowing powder that remains so after absorbing relatively large amounts of water or other

liquids

Identification

Description

A. Positive test for silicate and for calcium

B. Forms a gel with mineral acids

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 10 % (105 °C, 2h)

Loss on ignition Not less than 5 % and not more than 14 % (1 000 °C,

constant weight)

Sodium

Not more than 3 %

Fluoride

Arsenic

Lead

Not more than 50 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 553a(i) MAGNESIUM SILICATE

**Definition**Magnesium silicate is a synthetic compound of which the molar ratio of magnesium oxide to silicon dioxide is

approximately 2:5

Assay Content not less than 15 % of MgO and not less than

67 % of SiO<sub>2</sub> on the ignited basis

Description Very fine, white, odourless powder, free from grittiness

Identification

Mercury

A. Positive test for magnesium and for

silicate

B. pH of a 10 % slurry Between 7,0 and 10,8

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 15 % (105 °C, 2h)

Loss on ignition Not more than 15 % after drying (1 000 °C, 20 min)

Water soluble salts Not more than 3 %

Free alkali

Not more than 1 % (as NaOH)

Fluoride

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

# E 553a(ii) MAGNESIUM TRISILICATE

# Definition

Chemical name Magnesium trisilicate

Chemical formula Mg<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>·xH<sub>2</sub>O (approximate composition)

**EINECS** 239-076-7

Assay

Content not less than 29,0 % of MgO and not less than 65,0 % of SiO<sub>2</sub> both on the ignited basis

Not less than 17 % and not more than 34 % (1 000 °C)

Fine, white powder, free from grittiness

Between 6,3 and 9,5

Not more than 2 %

Description

Identification

A. Positive test for magnesium and for silicate

B. pH of a 5 % slurry

Purity

Loss on ignition

Water soluble salts

Free alkali

Not more than 1 % (as NaOH)

Not more than 10 mg/kg

Arsenic

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 570 FATTY ACIDS

Definition

Linear fatty acids, caprylic acid  $(C_8)$ , capric acid  $(C_{10})$ , laurine acid  $(C_{12})$ , myristic acid  $(C_{14})$ , palmitic acid  $(C_{16})$ , stearic acid  $(C_{18})$ , oleic acid  $(C_{18:1})$ 

Chemical name

octanoic acid  $(C_8)$ , decanoic acid  $(C_{10})$ , dodecanoic acid  $(C_{12})$ , tetradecanoic acid  $(C_{14})$ , hexadecanoic acid  $(C_{16})$ , octadecanoic acid  $(C_{18})$ , 9-octadecenoic acid  $(C_{18:1})$ 

Assay

Not less than 98 % by chromatography

A colourless liquid or white solid obtained from oils and fats

Description

Identification

 A. Individual fatty acids can be identified by acid value, iodine value, gas chromatography and molecular weight

**Purity** 

Residue on ignition
Unsaponifiable matter

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 1,5 %

Water Not more than 0,2 % (Karl Fischer method)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 574 GLUCONIC ACID

Synonyms

D-gluconic acid, dextronic acid

Definition

Gluconic acid is an aqueous solution of gluconic acid

and glucono-delta-lactone

Chemical name

C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>7</sub> (gluconic acid)

Gluconic acid

Chemical formula Molecular weight

196,2

Assav

Content not less than 50,0 % (as gluconic acid) Colourless to light yellow, clear syrupy liquid

Description

Identification

A. Formation of phenylhydrazine deri-

vative positive

Compound formed melts between 196  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$  and 202  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$  with decomposition

Purity

Not more than 1,0 %

Residue on ignition Reducing matter

Not more than 0,75 % (as D-glucose)

Chloride Not more than 350 mg/kg
Sulphate Not more than 240 mg/kg
Sulphite Not more than 20 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 575 GLUCONO-DELTA-LACTONE

Synonyms Gluconolactone, GDL, D-gluconic acid delta-lactone, delta-gluconolactone

**Definition** Glucono-delta-lactone is the cyclic 1,5-intramolecular

ester of D-gluconic acid. In aqueous media it is hydrolysed to an equilibrium mixture of D-gluconic acid (55 %-66 %) and the delta- and gamma-lactones

Chemical name D-Glucono-1,5-lactone

EINECS202-016-5Chemical formula $C_6H_{10}O_6$ Molecular weight178,14

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Fine, white, nearly odourless, crystalline powder

Identification

A. Formation of phenylhydrazine derivative of gluconic acid positive

Compound formed melts between 196 °C and 202 °C with decomposition

B. Solubility Freely soluble in water. Sparingly soluble in ethanol

C. Melting point  $152 \text{ °C} \pm 2 \text{ °C}$ 

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Purity

Water Not more than 1,0 % (Karl Fischer method)
Reducing substances Not more than 0,75 % (as D-glucose)

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

### E 576 SODIUM GLUCONATE

Synonyms Sodium salt of D-gluconic acid

Definition

Chemical name Sodium D-gluconate

**EINECS** 208-407-7

Chemical formula C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NaO<sub>7</sub> (anhydrous)

Molecular weight 218,14

Assay Content not less than 98,0 %

Description White to tan, granular to fine, crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for sodium and for gluconate

B. Solubility Very soluble in water. Sparingly soluble in ethanol

C. pH of a 10 % solution Between 6,5 and 7,5

Purity

Reducing matter Not more than 1,0 % (as D-glucose)

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

# E 577 POTASSIUM GLUCONATE

Synonyms Potassium salt of D-gluconic acid

Definition

Chemical name Potassium D-gluconate

**EINECS** 206-074-2

Chemical formula  $C_6H_{11}KO_7$  (anhydrous)

C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>KO<sub>7</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O (monohydrate)

234,25 (anhydrous) Molecular weight

252,26 (monohydrate)

Content not less than 97,0 % and not more than 103,0 % Assav

on dried basis

Odourless, free flowing white to yellowish white, crys-Description

talline powder or granules

Identification

A. Positive test for potassium and for

gluconate

B. pH of a 10 % solution

Between 7,0 and 8,3

Purity

Loss on drying Anhydrous: not more than 3,0 % (105 °C, 4h, vacuum)

Monohydrate: not less than 6 % and not more than

7,5 % (105 °C, 4h, vacuum)

Reducing substances Not more than 1,0 % (as D-glucose)

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

### E 578 CALCIUM GLUCONATE

**Synonyms** Calcium salt of D-gluconic acid

**Definition** 

Chemical name Calcium di-D-gluconate

206-075-8 **EINECS** 

Chemical formula C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>22</sub>CaO<sub>14</sub> (anhydrous)

 $C_{12}H_{22}CaO_{14}$ · $H_2O$  (monohydrate)

Molecular weight 430,38 (anhydrous form)448,39 (monohydrate)

Content not less than 98,0 % and not more than 102 % Assay

on the anhydrous and monohydrate basis

Description Odourless, white crystalline granules or powder, stable

in air

Identification

A. Positive test for calcium and for

gluconate

B. Solubility

Soluble in water, insoluble in ethanol Between 6,0 and 8,0

C. pH of a 5 % solution

Purity

Not more than 3,0 % (105 °C, 16h) (anhydrous)Not Loss on drying

more than 2,0 % (105 °C, 16h) (monohydrate)

Not more than 1,0 % (as D-glucose) Reducing substances

Not more than 2 mg/kg Lead

**▼**M7

#### E 586 4-HEXYLRESORCINOL

**Synonyms** 4-Hexyl-1,3-benzenediol

Hexylresorcinol

Definition

Chemical names 4-Hexylresorcinol

**EINECS** 205-257-4 Chemical formula  $C_{12}H_{18}O_2$ 197,24 Molecular weight

Not less than 98,0 % on the dried basis Assay

Description White powder

### Identification

A. Solubility Freely soluble in ether and acetone; very slightly soluble

B. Nitric acid test To 1 ml of a saturated solution of the sample, add 1 ml

of nitric acid. A light red colour appears

C. Bromine test To 1 ml of saturated solution of the sample, add 1 ml of

bromine TS. A yellow, flocculent precipitate dissolves

producing a yellow solution

D. Melting range

62 to 67 °C

Purity

Acidity Not more than 0,05 % Sulphated ash Not more than 0,1 %

Resorcinol and other phenols Shake about 1 g of the sample with 50 ml of water for a

few minutes, filter, and to the filtrate add 3 drops of ferric chloride TS. No red or blue colour is produced

Nickel Not more than 2 mg/kg Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg Not more than 3 mg/kg Mercury

#### E 640 GLYCINE AND ITS SODIUM SALT

Synonyms (gly) Aminoacetic acid, glycocoll

(Na salt) Sodium glycinate

Definition

Chemical formula (gly)

Chemical name (gly) Aminoacetic acid

(Na salt) Sodium glycinate

(Na salt)  $C_2H_5NO_2Na$ EINECS (gly) 200-272-2 (Na salt) 227-842-3 Molecular weight (gly) 75,07

(Na salt)

Content not less than 98,5 % on the anhydrous basis Assay

 $C_2H_5NO_2$ 

Description White crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for aminoacid (gly and Na salt)

B. Positive test for sodium (Na salt)

Purity

Loss on drying (gly) Not more than 0,2 % (105 °C, 3h)

Not more than 0,2 % (105 °C, 3h) (Na salt) Residue on ignition (gly) Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 0,1 % (Na salt) Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 900 DIMETHYL POLYSILOXANE

Synonyms Polydimethyl siloxane, silicone fluid, silicone oil,

dimethyl silicone

Definition Dimethylpolysiloxane is a mixture of fully methylated linear siloxane polymers containing repeating units of the formula (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SiO and stablised with trimethylsiloxy end-blocking units of the formula (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>SiO

Chemical name Siloxanes and silicones, di-methyl

 $\text{Chemical formula} \qquad \qquad (CH_3)_3 - Si - [O - Si(CH_3)_2]n - O - Si(CH_3)_3$ 

Assay Content of total silicon not less than 37,3 % and not

more than 38,5 %

Description Clear, colourless, viscous liquid

Identification

A. Specific gravity (25°/25 °C)

Between 0,964 and 0,977

B. Refractive index [n]<sub>D</sub><sup>25</sup>

Between 1,400 and 1,405

C. Infrared spectrum characteristic of

the compound

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0.5 % (150 °C, 4h)Viscosity Not less than  $1.00 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2\text{s}^{-1}$  at 25 °C

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 901 BEESWAX

Synonyms White wax, yellow wax

**Definition**Yellow bees wax is the wax obtained by melting the walls of the honeycomb made by the honey bee, *Apis* 

mellifera L., with hot water and removing foreign matter

White beeswax is obtained by bleaching yellow beeswax

**EINECS** 232-383-7 (beeswax)

Description Yellowish white (white form) or yellowish to greyish

brown (yellow form) pieces or plates with a finegrained and non-crystalline fracture, having an

agreeable, honey-like odour

Identification

A. Melting range Between 62 °C and 65 °C

B. Specific gravity
C. Solubility
About 0,96
Insoluble in water

Sparingly soluble in alcohol

Very soluble in chloroform and ether

Purity

Acid value Not less than 17 and not more than 24

Saponification value 87-104

Peroxide value Not more than 5

Tot more than 5

Glycerol and other polyols Not more than 0,5 % (as glycerol)

Ceresin, paraffins and certain other Absent

Fats, Japan wax, rosin and soaps Absent

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 902 CANDELILLA WAX

**Definition**Candelilla wax is a purified wax obtained from the leaves of the candelilla plant, *Euphorbia antisyphilitica* 

leaves of the candellia plant, Euphorota anusyphilitica

**EINECS** 232-34

Description Hard, yellowish brown, opaque to translucent wax

Identification

A. Specific gravity About 0,983

B. Melting range Between 68,5 °C and 72,5 °C

C. Solubility

Insoluble in water

Soluble in chloroform and toluene

Purity

Acid value

Not less than 12 and not more than 22

Saponification value

Not less than 43 and not more than 65

Glycerol and other polyols

Not more than 0,5 % (as glycerol)

Ceresin, paraffins and certain other Absent

waxes

Fats, Japan wax, rosin and soaps Absent

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 903 CARNAUBA WAX

**Definition** Carnauba wax is a purified wax obtained from the leaf

buds and leaves of the Brazilian Mart wax palm,

Copernicia cereferia

**EINECS** 232-399-4

Description Light brown to pale yellow powder or flakes or hard and

brittle solid with a resinous fracture

Identification

A. Specific gravity About 0,997

B. Melting range Between 82 °C and 86 °C

C. Solubility Insoluble in water

Partly soluble in boiling ethanol

Soluble in chloroform and diethyl ether

Purity

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,25 %

Acid value Not less than 2 and not more than 7
Ester value Not less than 71 and not more than 88

Unsaponifiable matter Not less than 50 % and not more than 55 %

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 904 SHELLAC

Synonyms Bleached shellac, white shellac

**Definition** Shellac is the purified and bleached lac, the resinous

secretion of the insect Laccifer (Tachardia) lacca Kerr

(Fam. Coccidae)

**EINECS** 232-549-9

Description Bleached shellac — off-white, amorphous, granular resin

Wax-free bleached shellac — light yellow, amorphous,

granular resin

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water; freely (though very slowly) soluble in

alcohol; slightly soluble in acetone

B. Acid value Between 60 and 89

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 6,0 % (40 °C, over silica gel, 15h)

Rosin Absent

Wax

Bleached shellac: not more than 5,5 %

Wax-free bleached shellac: not more than 0,2 %

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Lead

#### E 920 L-CYSTEINE

Definition

L-cysteine hydrochloride or hydrochloride monohydrate. Human hair may not be used as a source for this

substance

**EINECS** 

200-157-7 (anhydrous)

Chemical formula

 $C_3H_7NO_2S\cdot HCl\cdot nH_20$  (where n = 0 or 1)

Molecular weight

157,62 (anhydrous)

Assay

Content not less than 98,0 % and not more than 101,5 %

on the anhydrous basis

Description

White powder or colourless crystals

Identification

A. Solubility

Freely soluble in water and in ethanol Anhydrous form melts at about 175 °C

B. Melting rangeC. Specific rotation

 $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ : between + 5,0° and + 8,0° or

 $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ : between + 4,9° and 7,9°

Purity

Loss on drying

Between 8,0 % and 12,0 %

Not more than 2,0 % (anhydrous form)

Residue on ignition

Not more than 0,1 %

Ammonium-ion

Not more than 200 mg/kg Not more than 1,5 mg/kg

Arsenic Lead

Not more than 5 mg/kg

E 927b CARBAMIDE

**Synonyms** 

Urea

Definition EINECS

200-315-5

Chemical formula

CH<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight

60.06

Assay

Content not less than 99,0 % on the anhydrous basis Colourless to white, prismatic, crystalline powder or

small, white pellets

Description

Identification

Very soluble in water

A. Solubility

Soluble in ethanol

B. Precipitation with nitric acid

To pass the test a white, crystalline precipitate is formed

C. Colour reactionD. Melting range

To pass the test a reddish-violet colour is produced

132 °C to 135 °C

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 1,0 % (105 °C, 1h)

Sulphated ash

Not more than 0,1 % Not more than 0,04 %

Ethanol-insoluble matter

Passes test

Alkalinity Ammonium-ion

Not more than 500 mg/kg

Biuret

Not more than 0,1 %

Arsenic Lead Not more than 3 mg/kg Not more than 5 mg/kg

#### E 938 ARGON

Definition

Chemical name Argon
EINECS 231-147-0

Chemical formula Ar Molecular weight 40

Assay Not less than 99 %

Description Colourless, odourless, non-flammable gas

Purity

Water Not more than 0,05 % Methane and other hydrocarbons Not more than 100  $\mu$ l/l

calculated as methane

E 939 HELIUM

Definition

Chemical name Helium

EINECS 231-168-5
Chemical formula He

Molecular weight 4

Assay Not less than 99 %

Description Colourless, odourless, non-flammable gas

Purity

Water Not more than 0,05 % Methane and other hydrocarbons Not more than 100 µl/l

calculated as methane

### E 941 NITROGEN

Definition

Chemical nameNitrogenEINECS231-783-9Chemical formulaN2Molecular weight28

Assay Not less than 99 %

Description Colourless, odourless, non-flammable gas

Purity

calculated as methane

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Nitrogen dioxide and nitrogen oxide Not more than 10  $\mu$ l/l Not more than 1 %

# E 942 NITROUS OXIDE

Definition

Chemical nameNitrous oxideEINECS233-032-0Chemical formula $N_2O$ Molecular weight44

Assay Not less than 99 %

Description Colourless, non-flammable gas, sweetish odour

Purity

Water Not more than 0,05 % Not more than 30  $\mu$ l/l Nitrogen dioxide and nitrogen oxide Not more than 10  $\mu$ l/l

#### E 948 OXYGEN

**Definition** 

Chemical nameOxygenEINECS231-956-9Chemical formulaO2

Molecular weight 32
Assay Not less than 99 %

Description Colourless, odourless, non-flammable gas

Purity

Water Not more than 0,05 % Methane and other hydrocarbons Not more than 100  $\mu$ l/l

Methane and other hydrocarbons calculated as methane

#### E 999 QUILLAIA EXTRACT

Synonyms Soapbark extract, Quillay bark extract, Panama bark extract, Quillai extract, Murillo bark extract, China

bark extract

**Definition** Quillaia extract is obtained by aqueous extraction of

Quillai saponaria Molina, or other Quillaia species, trees of the family Rosaceae. It contains a number of triterpenoid saponins consisting of glycosides of quillaic acid. Some sugars including glucose, galactose, arabinose, xylose, and rhamnose are also present, along with tannin, calcium oxalate and other minor

components

Description Quillaia extract in the powder form is light brown with a

pink tinge. It is also available as an aqueous solution

Identification

A. pH of a 2,5 % solution Between 4,5 and 5,5

Purity

Water Not more than 6,0 % (Karl Fischer method) (powder

form only)

Arsenic Not more than 2 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 1103 INVERTASE

**Definition** Invertase is produced from Saccharomyces cerevisiae

Systematic name β-D-Fructofuranoside fructohydrolase

Enzyme Commission No EC 3.2.1.26
EINECS 232-615-7

Purity

Arsenic

Lead

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 5 mg/kg

Not more than 0,5 mg/kg

Not more than 0,5 mg/kg

Not more than 50 000/g

Salmonella spp.

Absent by test in 25 g

Not more than 30/g

E. coli

Absent by test in 25 g

#### E 1200 POLYDEXTROSE

Synonyms Definition Modified polydextroses

Randomly bonded glucose polymers with some sorbitol end-groups, and with citric acid or phosphoric acid residues attached to the polymers by mono or diester bonds. They are obtained by melting and condensation of the ingredients and consist of approximately 90 parts D-glucose, 10 parts sorbitol and 1 part citric acid or 0,1 part phosphoric acid. The 1,6-glucosidic linkage predominates in the polymers but other linkages are present. The products contain small quantities of free glucose, sorbitol, levoglucosan (1,6-anhydro-D-glucose) and citric acid and may be neutralised with any food grade base and/or decolorised and deionised for further purification. The products may also be partially hydrogenated with Raney nickel catalyst to reduce residual glucose. Polydextrose-N is neutralised polydextrose

Content not less than 90 % of polymer on the ash free and anhydrous basis

White to light tan-coloured solid. Polydextroses dissolve in water to give a clear, colourless to straw coloured solution

Assay

Description

Identification

A. Positive tests for sugar and for reducing sugar

B. pH of a 10 % solution

Between 2,5 and 7,0 for polydextrose

Between 5,0 and 6,0 for polydextrose-N

Purity

Water

Sulphated ash

Nickel

1,6-Anhydro-D-glucose Glucose and sorbitol

Molecular weight limit

5-Hydroxymethylfurfural

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Lead

Not more than 4,0 % (Karl Fischer method)

Not more than 0,3 % (polydextrose)

Not more than 2,0 % (polydextrose N)

Not more than 2 mg/kg for hydrogenated polydextroses Not more than 4,0 % on the ash-free and the dried basis Not more than 6,0 % combined on the ash-free and the dried basis; glucose and sorbitol are determined sepa-

telv

Negative test for polymers of molecular weight greater

than 22,000

Not more than 0,1 % (polydextrose)

Not more than 0,05 % (polydextrose-N)

Not more than 0,5 mg/kg

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E 1204 PULLULAN

Definition

Linear, neutral glucan consisting mainly of maltotriose units connected by -1,6 glycosidic bonds. It is produced by fermentation from a food grade hydrolysed starch using a non-toxin producing strain of *Aureobasidium pullulans*. After completion of the fermentation, the fungal cells are removed by microfiltration, the filtrate is heat-sterilised and pigments and other impurities are removed by adsorption and ion exchange chromatography

EINECS 232-945-1

Chemical formula  $(C_6H_{10}O_5)_x$ 

Assay Not less than 90 % of glucan on the dried basis

Description White to off-white odourless powder

Identification

A. Solubility

B. pH of 10 % solution

Soluble in water, practically insoluble in ethanol.

5,0 to 7,0

C. Precipitation with polyethylene glycol 600

D. Depolymerisation with pullulanase

Add 2 ml of polyethylene glycol 600 to 10 ml of a 2 % aqueous solution of pullulan. A white precipitate is formed

Prepare two test tubes each with 10 ml of a 10 % pullulan solution. Add 0,1 ml pullulanase solution having activity 10 units/g to one test tube, and 0,1 ml water to the other. After incubation at about 25 °C for 20 min, the viscosity of the pullulanase-treated solution is visibly lower than that of the untreated solution

**Purity** 

Loss on drying

Mono-, di- and oligosaccharides

Viscosity Lead

Yeast and moulds

Coliforms Salmonella Not more than 6 % (90 °C, pressure not more than 50 mm Hg, 6 h)

Not more than 10 % expressed as glucose

100 to 180 mm<sup>2</sup>/s (10 % w/w aqueous solution at 30 °C)

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Not more than 100 colonies per gram

Absent in 25 g Absent in 25 g

**▼**M2

### E 1404 OXIDISED STARCH

#### **Definition**

Description

#### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Carboxyl groups Sulphur dioxide

Arsenic Lead Mercury Oxidised starch is starch treated with sodium hypochlorite

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch

Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Not more than 1,1 %

Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 2 mg/kg Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

#### E 1410 MONOSTARCH PHOSPHATE

# Definition

Description

### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Monostarch phosphate is starch esterified with orthophosphoric acid, or sodium or potassium orthophosphate or sodium tripolyphosphate

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch

Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch

Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Not more than 0,5 % (as P) for wheat or potato starch

Not more than 0,4 % (as P) for other starches

Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

# E 1412 DISTARCH PHOSPHATE

#### **Definition**

Description

Residual phosphate

Sulphur dioxide

### Identification

A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation

B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

**Purity** (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Residual phosphate

Sulphur dioxide

Arsenic Lead

Mercury

Distarch phosphate is starch cross-linked with sodium trimetaphosphate or phosphorus oxychloride

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch

Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch

Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Not more than 0,5 % (as P) for wheat or potato starch

Not more than 0,4 % (as P) for other starches

Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 2 mg/kg Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

# E 1413 PHOSPHATED DISTARCH PHOSPHATE

# Definition

Description

#### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

**Purity** (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Residual phosphate

Sulphur dioxide

Phosphated distarch phosphate is starch having undergone a combination of treatments as described for monostarch phosphate and for distarch phosphate

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch

Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Not more than 0,5 % (as P) for wheat or potato starch

Not more than 0,4 % (as P) for other starches

Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

### E 1414 ACETYLATED DISTARCH PHOSPHATE

#### **Definition**

Acetylated distarch phosphate is starch cross-linked with sodium trimetaphosphate or phosphorus oxychloride and esterified by acetic anhydride or vinyl acetate

Description

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

#### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

**Purity** (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Acetyl groups

Not more than 2,5 %

Residual phosphate

Not more than 0,14 % (as P) for wheat or potato starch

Not more than 0,04 % (as P) for other starches

Vinyl acetate

Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

Sulphur dioxide

Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

# E 1420 ACETYLATED STARCH

#### **Synonyms**

#### Starch acetate

#### Definition

Acetylated starch is starch esterified with acetic anhydride or vinyl acetate

Description

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch

Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Acetyl groups Not more than 2,5 % Vinyl acetate Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

Sulphur dioxide Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Not more than 1 mg/kg Arsenic Not more than 2 mg/kg Lead Mercury Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

#### E 1422 ACETYLATED DISTARCH ADIPATE

#### Definition

Acetylated distarch adipate is starch cross-linked with adipic anhydride and esterified with acetic anhydride

Description White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

Identification

A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation

B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch

Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch

Not more than 18,0 % for other starches Not more than 2,5 %

Acetyl groups Not more than 0,135 % Adipate groups

Sulphur dioxide Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg Not more than 0,1 mg/kg Mercury

#### E 1440 HYDROXYPROPYL STARCH

### Definition

Hydroxypropyl starch is starch etherified with propylene

Description

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

### Identification

A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation

B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an

anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch

> Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Hydroxypropyl groups Not more than 7,0 % Propylene chlorohydrin Not more than 1 mg/kg

Sulphur dioxide Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Not more than 2 mg/kg Lead Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

# E 1442 HYDROXYPROPYL DISTARCH PHOSPHATE

### Definition

Hydroxypropyl distarch phosphate is starch cross-linked sodium trimetaphosphate or phosphorus oxychloride and etherified with propylene oxide

Description

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

#### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Not more than 7,0 %

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Hydroxypropyl groups

Residual phosphate

Not more than 0,14 % (as P) for wheat or potato starch

Not more than 0,04 (as P) for other starches

Propylene chlorohydrin

Sulphur dioxide

Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches, unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg Not more than 0,1 mg/kg Mercury

### E 1450 STARCH SODIUM OCTENYL SUCCINATE

**Synonyms** 

Definition

SSOS

Starch sodium octenyl succinate is starch esterified with octenylsuccinic anhydride

Description

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

#### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Octenylsuccinyl groups Not more than 3 % Octenylsuccinic acid residue Not more than 0,3 %

Sulphur dioxide Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg Mercury Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

#### E 1451 ACETYLATED OXIDISED STARCH

Definition Acetylated oxidised starch is starch treated with sodium

hypochlorite followed by esterification with acetic

anhydride

White or nearly white powder or granules or (if prege-Description latinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by microscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

Purity (all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Not more than 15,0 % for cereal starch Not more than 21,0 % for potato starch Not more than 18,0 % for other starches

Carboxyl groups Not more than 1,3 % Not more than 2,5 %

Sulphur dioxide Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for other modified starches,

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 0,1 mg/kg

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#### E 1452 STARCH ALUMINIUM OCTENYL SUCCINATE

Synonyms SAOS

**Definition** Starch aluminium octenyl succinate is starch esterified

with octenylsuccinic anhydride and treated with

aluminium sulphate

Description White or nearly white powder or granules or (if pregelatinised) flakes, amorphous powder or coarse particles

#### Identification

- A. If not pregelatinised: by miscroscopic observation
- B. Iodine staining positive (dark blue to light red colour)

### Purity

(all values expressed on an anhydrous basis except for loss on drying)

Loss on drying

Octenylsuccinyl groups

Octenylsuccinic acid residue

Not more than 21 %

Not more than 3 %

Not more than 0,3 %

Sulphur dioxide Not more than 50 mg/kg for modified cereal starches

Not more than 10 mg/kg for the other modified starches

unless otherwise specified

Arsenic Not more than 1 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 0,1 mg/kg
Aluminium Not more than 0,3 %

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# E 1505 TRIETHYL CITRATE

Synonyms Ethyl citrate

Definition

Chemical name Triethyl-2-hydroxypropan-1,2,3-tricarboxylate

EINECS201-070-7Chemical formula $C_{12}H_{20}O_7$ Molecular weight276,29

Assay Content not less than 99,0 %

Description Odourless, practically colourless, oily liquid

Identification

A. Specific gravity  $d_{25}^{25}$ : 1,135-1,139 B. Refractive index  $[n]D^{20}$ : 1,439-1,441

Purity

Water
Not more than 0,25 % (Karl Fischer method)
Acidity
Not more than 0,02 % (as citric acid)
Arsenic
Not more than 3 mg/kg

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

E 1518 GLYCERYL TRIACETATE

Synonyms Triacetin

Definition

Chemical name Glyceryl triacetate

EINECS203-051-9Chemical formula $C_9H_{14}O_6$ Molecular weight218,21

Assay Content not less than 98,0 %

Description Colourless, somewhat oily liquid having a slightly fatty

odour

Identification

A. Positive tests for acetate and for glycerol

B. Refractive index Between 1,429 and 1,431 at 25 °C

C. Specific gravity (25 °C/25 °C)

Between 1,154 and 1,158

D. Boiling range

Between 258° and 270 °C

Purity

Water Not more than 0,2 % (Karl Fischer method)
Sulphated ash Not more than 0,02 % (as citric acid)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

E 1520 PROPANE-1,2-DIOL

Synonyms Propylene glycol

Definition

Chemical names 1,2-dihydroxypropane

EINECS200-338-0Chemical formula $C_3H_8O_2$ Molecular weight76,10

Assay Content not less than 99,5 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Clear, colourless, hygroscopic, viscous liquid

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water, ethanol and acetone

B. Specific gravity  $d_{20}^{20}$ : 1,035-1,040 C. Refractive index  $[n]^{20}D$ : 1,431-1,433

Purity

Distillation range 99 % v/v distils between 185 °C-189 °C

Sulphated ash Not more than 0,07 %

Water Not more than 1,0 % (Karl Fischer method)

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

- (1) Cobalt chloride TSC: dissolve approximately 65 g of cobalt chloride CoCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O in a sufficient quantity of a mixture of 25 ml hydrochloric acid and 975 ml of water to give a total volume of 1 litre. Place exactly 5 ml of this solution in a round-bottomed flask containing 250 ml of iodine solution, add 5 ml of 3 % hydrogen peroxide, then 15 ml of a 20 % solution of sodium hydroxide. Boil for 10 minutes, allow to cool, add 2 g of potassium iodide and 20 ml of 25 % sulphuric acid. After the precipitate is completely dissolved, titrate the liberated iodine with sodium thiosulphate (0,1 N) in the presence of starch TS (\*). 1 ml of sodium thiosulphate (0,1 N) corresponds to 23,80 mg of CoCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O. Adjust final volume of solution by the addition of a sufficient quantity of the hydrochloric acid/water mixture to give a solution containing 59,5 mg of CoCl<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O per ml.
- (2) Ferric chloride TSC: dissolve approximately 55 g of ferric chloride in a sufficient quantity of a mixture of 25 ml of hydrochloric acid and 975 ml of water to give a total volume of 1 litre. Place 10 ml of this solution in a round-bottomed flask containing 250 ml of iodine solution, add 15 ml of water and 3 g of potassium iodide; leave the mixture to stand for 15 minutes. Dilute with 100 ml of water then titrate the liberated iodine with sodium thiosulphate (0,1 N) in the presence of starch TS (\*). 1 ml of sodium thiosulphate (0,1 N) corresponds to 27,03 mg of FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O. Adjust final volume of solution by the addition of a sufficient quantity of the hydrochloric acid/water to give a solution containing 45,0 mg of FeCl<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O per ml.
- (3) Copper sulphate TSC: dissolve approximate by 65 g of copper sulphate CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O in a sufficient quantity of a mixture of 25 ml of hydrochloric acid and 975 ml of water to give a total volume of 1 litre. Place 10 ml of this solution in a round-bottomed flask containing 250 ml of iodine solution, add 40 ml of water, 4 ml of acetic acid and 3 g of potassium iodide. Titrate the liberated iodine with sodium thiosulphate (0,1 N) in the presence of starch TS (\*). 1 ml of sodium thiosulphate (0,1 N) corresponds to 24,97 mg of CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O. Adjust final volume of solution by the addition of a sufficient quantity of the hydrochloric acid/water mixture to give a solution containing 62,4 mg of CuSO<sub>4</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O per ml.
- (\*) Starch TS: triturate 0,5 g starch (potato starch, maize starch of soluble starch) with 5 ml of water; to the resulting paste add a sufficient quantity of water to give a total volume of 100 ml, strirring all the time. Boil for a few minutes, allow to cool, filter. The starch must be freshly prepared.
- (4) When labelled 'for food use', nitrite may only be sold in a mixture with salt or a salt substitute.

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### E 170 (i) CALCIUM CARBONATE

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/45/EC laying down specific purity criteria concerning colours for use in foodstuffs (¹).

### E 353 METATARTARIC ACID

Synonyms Ditartaric acid

Definition

Chemical name Metatartaric acid

Chemical formula  $C_4H_6O_6$ 

Assay Not less than 99,5 %

Description Crystalline or powder form with a white or yellowish colour. Very deliquescent with a faint odour of caramel

Identification

A. Very soluble in water and ethanol.

B. Place a sample of 1 to 10 mg of this substance in a test

tube with 2 ml of concentrated sulfuric acid and 2 drops of sulpho-resorcinol reagent. When heated to 150 °C, an

intense violet coloration appears

Purity

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 354 CALCIUM TARTRATE

Synonyms L-Calcium tartrate

Definition

Chemical name Calcium L(+)-2,3-dihydroxybutanedioate di-hydrate

Chemical formula  $C_4H_4CaO_6 \cdot 2H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 224,18

Assay Not less than 98,0 %

Description Fine crystalline powder with a white or off-white colour

Not more than 1 g/kg

Identification

A. Slightly soluble in water. Solubility approximately 0,01 g/100 ml water (20 °C). Sparingly soluble in ethanol. Slightly soluble in diethyl

ether. Soluble in acids

B. Specific rotation  $[\alpha]^{20}D$  +7,0° to +7,4° (0,1 % in a 1N de HCl solution)

C. pH of a 5 % slurry Between 6,0 and 9,0

Purity

Sulphates (as H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 356 SODIUM ADIPATE

Definition

Chemical name

Sodium adipate

**EINECS** 231-293-5

Chemical formula C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Molecular weight 190,11

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % (on anhydrous basis)

Description White odourless crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Melting range 151 °C-152 °C (for adipic acid)

B. Solubility Approximately 50 g/100 ml water (20 °C)

C. Positive test for sodium

Purity

Water Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 357 POTASSIUM ADIPATE

Definition

Chemical name Potassium adipate

EINECS242-838-1Chemical formula $C_6H_8K_2O_4$ Molecular weight222,32

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % (on anhydrous basis)

Description White odourless crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Melting range 151 °C-152 °C (for adipic acid)

B. Solubility Approximately 60 g/100 ml water (20 °C)

C. Positive test for potassium

Purity

Water Not more than 3 % (Karl Fischer)

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

### E 420(i) SORBITOL

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs (1).

# E 420(ii) SORBITOL SYRUP

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 178, 28.7.1995, p. 1.

#### E 421 MANNITOL

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

#### E 425(i) KONJAC GUM

**Definition** 

Molecular weight

Assay

Description

Identification

A. Solubility

B. Gel formation

C. Formation of heat-stable gel

D. Viscosity (1 % solution)

Purity

Loss on drying

Starch

Protein

Ether-soluble material

Total ash

Arsenic

Lead

Salmonella spp.

E. coli

E 425(ii) KONJAC GLUCOMANNAN

Definition

Konjac gum is a water-soluble hydrocolloid obtained from the Konjac flour by aqueous extraction. Konjac flour is the unpurified raw product from the root of the perennial plant *Amorphophallus konjac* The main component of Konjac gum is the water-soluble high-molecular-weight polysac-charide glucomannan, which consists of *D*-mannose and *D*-glucose units at a molar ration of 1,6:1,0, connected by  $\beta$ (1-4)-glycosidic bonds. Shorter side chains are attached through  $\beta$ (1-3)-glycosidic bonds, and acetyl groups occur at random at a ratio of about 1 group per 9 to 19 sugar units

The main component, glucomannan, has an average molecular weight of 200 000 to 2 000 000

Not less than 75 % carbohydrate

A white to cream to light tan powder

Dispersible in hot or cold water forming a highly viscous solution with a pH between 4,0 and 7,0

Add 5 ml of a 4 % sodium borate solution to a 1 % solution of the sample in a test tube, and shake vigorously. A gel forms

Prepare a 2 % solution of the sample by heating it in a boiling water bath for 30 min, with continuous agitation and then cooling the solution to room temperature. For each g of the sample used to prepare 30 g of the 2 % solution, add 1 ml of 10 % potassium carbonate solution to the fully hydrated sample at ambient temperature. Heat the mixture in a water bath to 85  $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ , and maintain for 2 h without agitation. Under these conditions a thermally stable gel is formed

Not less than 3 kgm<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> at 25 °C

Not more than 12 % (105 °C, 5 h)

Not more than 3 %

Not more than 3 %  $(N \times 5,7)$ 

Determine nitrogen by Kjeldahl method. The percentage of nitrogen in the sample multiplied by 5,7 gives the percent of protein in the sample

Not more than 0,1 %

Not more than 5,0 % (800 °C, 3 to 4h)

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 2 mg/kg

Absent in 12,5 g

Absent in 5 g

Konjac glucomannan is a water-soluble hydrocolloid obtained from Konjac flour by washing with water-containing ethanol. Konjac flour is the unpurified raw product from the tuber of the perennial plant *Amorphophallus konjac*. The main component is the water-soluble high-molecular-weight polysaccharide glucomannan, which consists of *D*-mannose and *D*-glucose units at a molar ration of 1,6:1,0, connected by  $\beta$ (1-4)-glycosidic bonds with a branch at about each 50th or 60th unit. About each 19th sugar residue is acetylated

500 000 to 2 000 000 Molecular weight

Assay Total dietary fibre: not less than 95 % on a dry weight

Description White to slightly brownish fine particle size, free flowing

and odourless powder

Identification

B. Formation of heat-stable gel

A. Solubility Dispersible in hot or cold water forming a highly viscous solution with a pH between 5,0 and 7,0. Solubility is

increased by heat and mechanical agitation

water bath for 30 min, with continuous agitation and then cooling the solution to room temperature. For each g of the sample used to prepare 30 g of the 2 % solution, add 1 ml of 10 % potassium carbonate solution to the fully hydrated sample at ambient temperature. Heat the mixture in a water

Prepare a 2 % solution of the sample by heating it in a boiling

bath to 85 °C, and maintain for 2 h without agitation. Under these conditions a thermally stable gel is formed

C. Viscosity (1 % solution) Not less than 20 kgm<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> at 25 °C

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 8 % (105 °C, 3h)

Starch Not more than 1 %

Not more than 1,5 % (N  $\times$  5,7) Protein

> Determine nitrogen by Kjeldahl method. The percentage of nitrogen in the sample multiplied by 5,7 gives the

percent of protein in the sample

Ether-soluble material Not more than 0,5 %

Sulphite (as SO<sub>2</sub>) Not more than 4 mg/kg Not more than 0,02 % Chloride

50 % Alcohol-soluble Not more than 2,0 % material

Not more than 2,0 % (800 °C, 3 to 4h) Total ash

Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg

Salmonella spp. Absent in 12,5 g

E. coli Absent in 5 g

# E 426 SOYBEAN HEMICELLULOSE

Synonyms

Definition Soybean hemicellulose is a refined water-soluble polysaccharide obtained from natural strain soybean fibre by hot

water extraction

Chemical names Water soluble soybean polysaccharides

Water soluble soybean fibre

Not less than 74 % carbohydrate Assay

Description Free flowing spray-dried white powder

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in hot and cold water without gel formation

pH of 1 % solution  $5,5 \pm 1,5$ 

B. Viscosity of 10 % solution Not more than 200 mPa.s

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 7 % (105 °C, 4 h)

Protein Not more than 14 %

Not more than 9,5 % (600 °C, 4 h) Total ash

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Arsenic Not more than 2 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg
Cadmium Not more than 1 mg/kg

Standard plate count

Not more than 3 000 colonies per gram

Yeast and mould

Not more than 100 colonies per gram

E. Coli Negative in 10 g

## E 504(ii) MAGNESIUM HYDROXIDE CARBONATE

Synonyms Magnesium hydrogen carbonate, magnesium subcarbonate

(light or heavy), hydrated basic magnesium carbonate,

magnesium carbonate hydroxide

**Definition** 

Chemical name Magnesium carbonate hydroxide hydrated

**EINECS** 235-192-7

Chemical formula 4MgCO<sub>3</sub>Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>5H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 485

Assay Mg content not less than 40,0 % and not more than

45,0 % calculated as MgO

Description Light, white friable mass or bulky white powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for magnesium and for

carbonate

B. Solubility Practically insoluble in water. Insoluble in ethanol

Purity

Acid insoluble matter

Water soluble matter

Not more than 0,05 %

Not more than 1,0 %

Not more than 1,0 %

Not more than 3 mg/kg

Not more than 1 mg/kg

Mercury

Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 553b TALC

Synonyms Talcum

**Definition** Naturally occurring form of hydrous magnesium silicate

containing varying proportions of such associated minerals as alpha-quartz, calcite, chlorite, dolomite, magnesite, and

phlogopite

Chemical name Magnesium hydrogen metasilicate

**EINECS** 238-877-9

Chemical formula  $Mg_3(Si_4O_{10})(OH)_2$ 

Molecular weight 379,22

Description Light, homogeneous, white or almost white powder,

greasy to the touch

Identification

A. IR absorption Characteristic peaks at 3 677, 1 018 and 669 cm<sup>-1</sup>

B. X-ray diffraction Peaks at 9,34/4,66/3,12 Å

C. Solubility Insoluble in water and ethanol

**Purity** 

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (105 °C, 1h)

Acid-soluble matter Not more than 6 % Water-soluble matter Not more than 0,2 %

Acid-soluble iron Not detectable

Arsenic Not more than 10 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

E 554 SODIUM ALUMINIUM SILICATE

Synonyms Sodium silicoaluminate, sodium aluminosilicate, aluminium sodium silicate

Definition

Chemical name Sodium aluminium silicate

Assay Content on the anhydrous basis:

— as SiO<sub>2</sub> not less than 66,0 % and not more than

88,0 %

— as Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> not less than 5,0 % and not more than

15,0 %

Description Fine white amorphous powder or beads

Identification

A. Positive tests for sodium, for aluminium and for silicate

B. pH of a 5 % slurry Between 6,5 and 11,5

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 8,0 % (105 °C, 2h)

Loss on ignition Not less than 5,0 % and not more than 11,0 % on the

anhydrous basis (1 000 °C, constant weight)

Sodium Not less than 5 % and not more than 8,5 % (as Na<sub>2</sub>O) on

the anhydrous basis

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 555 POTASSIUM ALUMINIUM SILICATE

Synonyms Mica

Definition Natural mica consists of mainly potassium aluminium

silicate (muscovite)

**EINECS** 310-127-6

Chemical name Potassium aluminium silicate

Chemical formulae KAl<sub>2</sub>[AlSi<sub>3</sub>O<sub>10</sub>](OH)<sub>2</sub>

Molecular weight 398

Assay Content not less than 98 %

Description Light grey to white crystalline platelets or powder

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water, diluted acids and alkali and organic

solvents

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (105 °C, 2h)

Antimony Not more than 20 mg/kg Zinc Not more than 25 mg/kg Barium Not more than 25 mg/kg Chromium Not more than 100 mg/kg Copper Not more than 25 mg/kg Nickel Not more than 50 mg/kg Not more than 3 mg/kg Arsenic Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg Cadmium Not more than 2 mg/kg Lead Not more than 10 mg/kg

### E 556 CALCIUM ALUMINIUM SILICATE

Synonyms Calcium aluminosilicate, calcium silicoaluminate, aluminium calcium silicate

Definition

Chemical name Calcium aluminium silicate

Assay Content on the anhydrous basis:

— as  $SiO_2$  not less than 44,0 % and not more than

50,0 %

— as  $Al_2O_3$  not less than 3,0 % and not more than 5,0 %

— as CaO not less than 32,0 % and not more than

38,0 %

Description Fine white, free-flowing powder

Identification

A. Positive tests for calcium, for aluminium and for silicate

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 10,0 % (105 °C, 2h)

Loss on ignition Not less than 14,0 % and not more than 18,0 on the

anhydrous basis (1 000 °C, constant weight)

Fluoride Not more than 50 mg/kg
Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 10 mg/kg
Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

E 558 BENTONITE

**Definition** Bentonite is a natural clay containing a high proportion of

montmorillonite, a native hydrated aluminium silicate in which some aluminium and silicon atoms were naturally replaced by other atoms such as magnesium and iron. Calcium and sodium ions are trapped between the mineral layers. There are four common types of bentonite: natural sodium bentonite, natural calcium bentonite, sodium-activated bentonite and acid-activated

bentonite

**EINECS** 215-108-5

Chemical formula  $(Al, Mg)_8 (Si_4O_{10}) _4 (OH)_8 \cdot 12H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 819

Assay Montmorillonite content not less than 80 %

Description

Very fine, yellowish or greyish white powder or granules. The structure of bentonite allows it to absorb water in its structure and on its external surface (swelling properties)

#### Identification

A. Methylene blue test

B. X-Ray diffraction Characteristic peaks at 12,5/15 A

C. IR absorption Peaks at 428/470/530/1 110-1 020/3 750 — 3 400 cm<sup>-1</sup>

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 15,0 % (105 °C, 2h)

Arsenic Not more than 2 mg/kg
Lead Not more than 20 mg/kg

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### E 559 ALUMINIUM SILICATE (KAOLIN)

Synonyms Kaolin, light or heavy

**Definition** Aluminium silicate hydrous (kaolin) is a purified white

plastic clay composed of kaolinite, potassium aluminium silicate, feldspar and quartz. Processing should not include calcination. The raw kaolinitic clay used in the production of aluminium silicate shall have a level of dioxin which does not make it injurious to health or unfit for human

consumption

EINECS 215-286-4 (kaolinite)

Chemical formula Al<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>(OH)<sub>4</sub> (kaolinite)

Molecular weight 264

Assay Content not less than 90 % (sum of silica and alumina,

after ignition)

Silica (SiO<sub>2</sub>) Between 45 % and 55 % Alumina (A1<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) Between 30 % and 39 %

Description Fine, white or greyish white, unctuous powder. Kaolin is

made up of loose aggregations of randomly oriented stacks of kaolinite flakes or of individual hexagonal

flakes.

### Identification

A. Positive test for alumina and for

silicate

B. X-ray diffraction Characteristic peaks at 7,18/3,58/2,38/1,78 Å

C. IR absorption Peaks at 3 700 and 3 620 cm<sup>-1</sup>

Purity

Loss on ignition Between 10 and 14 % (1 000 °C, constant weight)

Water soluble matter

Acid soluble matter

Not more than 0,3 %

Not more than 2 %

Not more than 5 %

Potassium oxide  $(K_2O)$  Not more than 5 % Not more than 0,5 % Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg

Mercury Not more than 1 mg/kg

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# E 620 GLUTAMIC ACID

Synonyms L-Glutamic acid, L-α-aminoglutaric acid

Definition

Chemical name
L-Glutamic acid, L-2-amino-pentanedioic acid

EINECS
200-293-7

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} & \quad C_5H_9NO_4 \\ \textit{Molecular weight} & \quad 147,13 \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % and not more than 101,0 %

on the anhydrous basis

Description White crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for glutamic acid by thin layer chromatography

B. Specific rotation  $[\alpha]D^{20}$  Between + 31,5° and + 32,2°

(10 % solution (anhydrous basis) in 2N HCl, 200 mm

tube

C. pH of a saturated solution Between 3,0 and 3,5

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,2 % (80 °C, 3h)

Sulphated ash

Chloride

Not more than 0,2 %

Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 621 MONOSODIUM GLUTAMATE

Synonyms Sodium glutamate, MSG

Definition

Chemical name Monosodium L-glutamate monohydrate

**EINECS** 205-538-1

Chemical formula  $C_5H_8NaNO_4 \cdot H_2O$ 

Molecular weight 187,13

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % and not more than 101,0 %

on the anhydrous basis

Description White, practically odourless crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for sodium

B. Positive test for glutamic acid by thin-layer chromatography

C. Specific rotation  $[\alpha]D^{20}$  Between + 24,8° and + 25,3°

(10 % solution (anhydrous basis) in 2N HCl, 200 mm

ube)

D. pH of a 5 % solution Between 6,7 and 7,2

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (98 °C, 5h)

Chloride Not more than 0,2 %

Pyrrolidone carboxylic acid Not more than 0,2 %

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 622 MONOPOTASSIUM GLUTAMATE

Synonyms Potassium glutamate, MPG

Definition

Chemical name Monopotassium L-glutamate monohydrate

**EINECS** 243-094-0

Chemical formula C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>KNO<sub>4</sub> · H<sub>2</sub>O

Molecular weight 203,24

Assay Content not less than 99,0 % and not more than 101,0 %

on the anhydrous basis

Description White, practically odourless crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for potassium

B. Positive test for glutamic acid by thin-layer chromatography

C. Specific rotation  $[\alpha]D^{20}$  Between + 22,5° and + 24,0°

(10 % solution (anhydrous basis) in 2N HCl, 200 mm

tube)

D. pH of a 2 % solution Between 6,7 and 7,3

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 0,2 % (80 °C, 5h)

Chloride Not more than 0,2 % Not more than 0,2 % Not more than 0,2 %

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 623 CALCIUM DIGLUTAMATE

Synonyms Calcium glutamate

Definition

Chemical name Monocalcium di-L-glutamate

**EINECS** 242-905-5

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{16}CaN_2O_8 \cdot x H_2O (x = 0, 1, 2 \text{ or } 4)$ 

Molecular weight 332,32 (anhydrous)

Assay Content not less than 98,0 % and not more than 102,0 %

on the anhydrous basis

Description White, practically odourless crystals or crystalline powder

Identification

A. Positive test for calcium

B. Positive test for glutamic acid by thin-layer chromatography

C. Specific rotation  $[\alpha]D^{20}$  Between + 27,4 and + 29,2 (for calcium diglutamate with

x = 4) (10 % solution (anhydrous basis) in 2N HCl, 200 mm tube)

**Purity** 

Water Not more than 19,0 % (for calcium diglutamate with

x = 4) (Karl Fischer)

Chloride Not more than 0,2 %

Pyrrolidone carboxylic acid

Not more than 0,2 %

Lead

Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 624 MONOAMMONIUM GLUTAMATE

Synonyms Ammonium glutamate

E 626 GUANYLIC ACID

Synonyms

Definition Chemical name Monoammonium L-glutamate monohydrate EINECS 231-447-1 Chemical formula  $C_5H_{12}N_2O_4 \cdot H_2O$ Molecular weight 182,18 Assay Content not less than 99,0 % and not more 101,0 % on the anhydrous basis Description White, practically odourless crystals or crystalline powder Identification A. Positive test for ammonium B. Positive test for glutamic acid by thin-layer chromatography C. Specific rotation  $[\alpha]D^{20}$ Between  $+25,4^{\circ}$  and  $+26,4^{\circ}$ (10 % solution (anhydrous basis) in 2N HCl, 200 mm tube) Between 6,0 and 7,0 D. pH of a 5 % solution **Purity** Loss on drying Not more than 0,5 % (50 °C, 4h) Not more than 0,1 % Sulphated ash Pyrrolidone carboxylic acid Not more than 0,2 % Not more than 2 mg/kg E 625 MAGNESIUM DIGLUTAMATE **Synonyms** Magnesium glutamate Definition Chemical name Monomagnesium di-L-glutamate tetrahydrate **EINECS** 242-413-0 Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{16}MgN_2O_8 \cdot 4H_2O$ Molecular weight 388,62 Content not less than 95,0 % and not more than 105,0 % Assay on the anhydrous basis Description Odourless, white or off-white crystals or powder Identification A. Positive test for magnesium Positive test for glutamic acid by thin-layer chromatography C. Specific rotation  $[\alpha]D^{20}$ Between  $+23.8^{\circ}$  and  $+24.4^{\circ}$ (10 % solution (anhydrous basis) in 2N HCl, 200 mm D. pH of a 10 % solution Between 6,4 and 7,5 Purity Water Not more than 24 % (Karl Fischer) Chloride Not more than 0,2 % Pyrrolidone carboxylic acid Not more than 0,2 % Not more than 2 mg/kg

Guanylic acid

Definition

Chemical name Guanosine-5'-monophosphoric acid

EINECS 201-598-8

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{14}N_5O_8P$ 

363,22 Molecular weight

Assay Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, colourless or white crystals or white crystalline

powder

Identification

A. Positive test for ribose and for organic phosphate

B. pH of a 0,25 % solution

Between 1,5 and 2,5

C. Spectrometry: maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl

at 256 nm

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 1,5 % (120 °C, 4h)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 627 DISODIUM GUANYLATE

**Synonyms** Sodium guanylate, sodium 5'-guanylate

Definition

Chemical name Disodium guanosine-5'-monophosphate

**EINECS** 221-849-5

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{12}N_5Na_2O_8P \cdot x H_2O (x = ca. 7)$ 

Molecular weight 407,19 (anhydrous)

Assay Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, colourless or white crystals or white crystalline

Identification

A. Positive test for ribose, for organic phosphate, and for sodium

B. pH of a 5 % solution Between 7,0 and 8,5

C. Spectrometry: maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl

at 256 nm

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 25 % (120 °C, 4h)

Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography Other nucleotides

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 628 DIPOTASSIUM GUANYLATE

Synonyms Potassium guanylate, potassium 5'-guanylate

**Definition** 

Chemical name Dipotassium guanosine-5'-monophosphate

**EINECS** 226-914-1

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{12}K_2N_5O_8P$ 

439,40 Molecular weight

Assay Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, colourless or white crystals or white crystalline powder

### Identification

A. Positive test for ribose, for organic phosphate, and for potassium

B. pH of a 5 % solution

C. Spectrometry:

Between 7,0 and 8,5

maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl

at 256 nm

**Purity** 

Loss on drying Not more than 5 % (120 °C, 4h)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 629 CALCIUM GUANYLATE

Synonyms Calcium 5'-guanylate

Definition

Chemical name Calcium guanosine-5'-monophosphate

 $C_{10}H_{12}CaN_5O_8P\cdot nH_2O$ 

Assay Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description

Molecular weight

Identification

A. Positive test for ribose, for organic phosphate, and for calcium

B. pH of a 0,05 % solution

C. Spectrometry:

Between 7,0 and 8,0

401,20 (anhydrous)

maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl

Odourless, white or off-white crystals or powder

at 256 nm

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 23,0 % (120 °C, 4h)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 630 INOSINIC ACID

Synonyms 5'-Inosinic acid

Definition

Chemical name Inosine-5'-monophosphoric acid

EINECS 205-045-1 Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{13}N_4O_8P$ 

Molecular weight 348,21

Assay Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, colourless or white crystals or powder

Identification

A. Positive test for ribose, and for organic phosphate

B. pH of a 5 % solution Between 1,0 and 2,0

C. Spectrometry: maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl at 250 nm

Purity

Loss on drying Not more than 3,0 % (120 °C, 4h)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 631 DISODIUM INOSINATE

Synonyms Sodium inosinate, sodium 5'-inosinate

Definition

Chemical name Disodium inosine-5'-monophosphate

EINECS 225-146-4

 $\begin{array}{c} \textit{Chemical formula} \\ \textit{Molecular weight} \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} C_{10}H_{11}N_4Na_2O_8P \cdot H_2O \\ 392,17 \; \text{(anhydrous)} \\ \end{array}$ 

Assay Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, colourless or white crystals or powder

Identification

organic phosphate and for sodium

B. pH of a 5 % solution
C. Spectrometry:
Between 7,0 and 8,5
maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl

at 250 nm

Purity

A. Positive test for ribose, and for

Water Not more than 28,5 % (Karl Fischer)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 632 DIPOTASSIUM INOSINATE

Synonyms Potassium inosinate, potassium 5'-inosinate

Definition

Chemical name Dipotassium inosine-5'-monophosphate

**EINECS** 243-652-3

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{11}K_2N_4O_8P$ 

Molecular weight 424,39

Assay Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, colourless or white crystals or powder

Identification

A. Positive test for ribose, and for organic phosphate and for potassium

potassium

B. pH of a 5 % solution Between 7,0 and 8,5

C. Spectrometry: maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl

at 250 nm

**Purity** 

Water Not more than 10,0 % (Karl Fischer)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 633 CALCIUM INOSINATE

Synonyms Calcium 5'-inosinate

Definition

Chemical name Calcium inosine-5'-monophosphate

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{11}CaN_4O_8P \cdot nH_2O$ 

386,19 (anhydrous) Molecular weight

Content not less than 97,0 % on the anhydrous basis Assay

Description Odourless, colourless or white crystals or powder

Identification

organic phosphate and for calcium

B. pH of a 0,05 % solution Between 7,0 and 8,0 maximum absorption of a 20 mg/l solution in 0,01N HCl C. Spectrometry:

at 250 nm

Purity

Water Not more than 23,0 % (Karl Fischer)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 634 CALCIUM 5'-RIBONUCLEOTIDE

A. Positive test for ribose, and for

Definition

Chemical formula

Chemical name Calcium 5'-ribonucleotide is essentially a mixture of

inosine-5'-monophosphate calcium and calcium

guanosine-5'-monophosphate

 $C_{10}H_{11}N_4CaO_8P\cdot nH_2O$  y  $C_{10}H_{12}N_5CaO_8P \cdot nH_2O$ 

Assay Content of both major components not less than 97,0 %, and of each component not less than 47,0 % and not more

than 53 %, in every case on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, white or nearly white crystals or powder

Identification

A. Positive test for ribose, and for organic phosphate and for calcium

B. pH of a 0,05 % solution Between 7,0 and 8,0

Purity

Water Not more than 23,0 % (Karl Fischer)

Other nucleotides Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 635 DISODIUM 5'-RIBONUCLEOTIDE

Synonyms Sodium 5'-ribonucleotide

Definition

Chemical name Disodium 5'-ribonucleotide is essentially a mixture of

disodium inosine-5'-monophosphate and disodium

guanosine-5'-monophosphate

Chemical formula  $C_{10}H_{11}N_4O_8P$  ·  $nH_2O$  and  $C_{10}H_{12}N_5Na_2O_8P$   $^2nH_2O$ 

Assay Content of both major components not less than 97,0 %, and of each component not less than 47,0 % and not more than 53 %, in every case on the anhydrous basis

Description Odourless, white or nearly white crystals or powder

Identification

A. Positive test for ribose, and for organic phosphate and for sodium

B. pH of a 5 % solution Between 7,0 and 8,5

Purity

Water Not more than 26,0 % (Karl Fischer)

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Other nucleotides

Not detectable by thin-layer chromatography

Lead

Not more than 2 mg/kg

### E 905 MICROCRYSTALLINE WAX

Synonyms

Petroleum wax

**Definition** 

Microcrystalline wax is a refined mixture of solid, saturated hydrocarbons, mainly branched paraffin,

obtained from petroleum

Description

White to amber, odourless wax

Identification

A. Solubility

B. Refractive Index

Insoluble in water, very slightly soluble in ethanol

nD<sup>100</sup>1,434-1,448

Purity

Molecular weight Average not less than 500 Viscosity at 100  $^{\circ}$ C Not less than 1,1  $^{\circ}$  10<sup>-5</sup> m<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

Residue on ignition Not more than 0,1 %

Carbon number at 5 % distillation point Not more than 5 % of molecules with carbon number less

than 25

Colour Passes test

Sulphur Not more than 0,4 %

Arsenic Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 3 mg/kg

Polycyclic aromatic compounds

The polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, obtained by extraction with dimethyl sulfoxide, shall meet the

following ultraviolet absorbency limits:

nm Maximum absorbance per cm path length
280-289 0,15
290-299 0,12
300-359 0,08
360-400 0.02

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## E 907 HYDROGENATED POLY-1-DECENE

Synonyms	Hydrogenated polydec-1-ene
	Hydrogenated noly-alpha-ole

Definition

Chemical formula  $C_{10n}H_{20n+2}$  where n = 3 - 6

Molecular weight 560 (average)

Assay Not less than 98,5 % of hydrogenated poly-1-decene,

having the following oligomer distribution:

 $C_{30}$ : 13 — 37 %  $C_{40}$ : 35 — 70 %  $C_{50}$ : 9 — 25 %  $C_{60}$ : 1 — 7 %

Description Colourless, odourless, viscous liquid

Identification

A. Solubility Insoluble in water; slightly soluble in ethanol; soluble in

toluene

B. Burning Burns with a bright flame and a paraffin-like characteristic

smell

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Purity

Viscosity Between  $5.7 \times 10^{-6}$  and  $6.1 \times 10^{-6}$  m<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> at 100 °C

Compounds with carbon number less

than 30

Not more than 1,5 %

of sulfuric acid with a 5 g sample of hydrogenated poly-1-decene is not darker than a very slight straw colour

Nickel Not more than 1 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 1 mg/kg

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E 912 MONTAN ACID ESTERS

**Definition** Montan acids and/or esters with ethylene glycol and/or

1,3-butanediol and/or glycerol

Chemical name Montan acid esters

Description Almost white to yellowish flakes, powder, granules or

pellets

Identification

A. Density (20 °C) Between 0,98 and 1,05

B. Drop point Greater than 77 °C

**Purity** 

Acid value Not more than 40

Glycerol Not more than 1 % (by gas chromatography)

Other polyols Not more than 1 % (by gas chromatography)

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Other wax types Not detectable (by differential scanning calorimetry and/or

infrared spectroscopy)

Arsenic Not more than 2 mg/kg

Chromium Not more than 3 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

E 914 OXIDISED POLYETHYLENE WAX

**Definition** Polar reaction products from mild oxidation of poly-

ethylene

Chemical name Oxidised polyethylene

Description Almost white flakes, powder, granules or pellets

Identification

A. Density (20 °C) Between 0,92 and 1,05

B. Drop point Greater than 95 °C

Purity

Acid value Not more than 70

Viscosity at 120 °C Not less than 8,1·10<sup>-5</sup> m<sup>2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

Other wax types Not detectable (by differential scanning calorimetry and/or

infrared spectroscopy)

Oxygen Not more than 9,5 %

Chromium Not more than 5 mg/kg

Lead Not more than 2 mg/kg

## E 950 ACESULFAME K

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 951 ASPARTAME

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 953 ISOMALT

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC, as amended by Directive 98/66/EC, laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 957 THAUMATIN

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 959 NEOHESPERIDINE DIHYDROCHALCONE

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 965(i) MALTITOL

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 965(ii) MALTITOL SYRUP

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 966 LACTITOL

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

### E 967 XYLITOL

Purity criteria for this additive are the same as set out for this additive in the Annex to Directive 95/31/EC laying down specific criteria of purity concerning sweeteners for use in foodstuffs.

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## E 1517 GLYCERYL DIACETATE

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Synonyms	Diacetin
Definition	Glyceryl diacetate consists predominantly of a mixture of the 1,2- and 1,3-diacetates of glycerol, with minor amounts of the mono- and tri-esters
Chemical names	Glyceryl diacetate 1,2,3-propanetriol diacetate
Chemical formula	$C_7H_{12}O_5$
Molecular weight	176,17
Assay	Not less than 94,0 %
Description	Clear, colourless, hygroscopic, somewhat oily liquid with a slight, fatty odour
Identification	
A. Solubility	Soluble in water. Miscible with ethanol
B. Positive tests for glycerol and acetate	
C. Specific gravity	d <sub>20</sub> <sup>20</sup> : 1,175 — 1,195
D. Boiling range	Between 259 and 261 °C
Purity	
Total ash	Not more than 0,02 %
Acidity	Not more than 0,4 % (as acetic acid)
Arsenic	Not more than 3 mg/kg
Lead	Not more than 5 mg/kg

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### E 1519 BENZYL ALCOHOL

Synonyms Phenylcarbinol Phenylmethyl alcohol

Benzenemethanol Alpha-hydroxytoluene

Definition

Chemical names Benzyl alcohol

Phenylmethanol

Chemical formula  $C_7H_8O$  Molecular weight 108,14

Assay Not less than 98,0 %

**Description** Colourless, clear liquid with a faint, aromatic odour

Identification

A. Solubility Soluble in water, ethanol and ether

 B. Refractive index
  $[n]D^{20}:1,538-1,541$  

 C. Specific gravity
  $d_{25}^{25}:1,042-1,047$ 

D. Positive test for peroxides

**Purity** 

Distillation range Not less than 95 % v/v distils between 202 and 208 °C

Acid value Not more than 0,5

Aldehydes Not more than 0,2 % v/v (as benzaldehyde)

Lead Not more than 5 mg/kg