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SODIUM HYDROXIDE 1N TESTING METHODS

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1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1. To provide Laboratory personnel with a procedure for analyzing Sodium Hydroxide 1N In-Process, Finished Goods, and Stability.

2. SCOPE:

- 2.1. Applies to the analysis of Sodium Hydroxide 1N In-Process, Stability, and Finished Goods in the Laboratory. Methods include testing for Sodium Hydroxide 1N sold by BioSpectra.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 3.1. The Laboratory Manager is responsible for training, maintenance and implementation of this procedure.
- 3.2. Laboratory personnel are responsible for compliance with the terms of this procedure. This includes notifying the Laboratory Management if any analyses fail to meet their respective specifications.

4. SAFETY:

- 4.1. Causes SEVERE skin burns and eye damage. Standard laboratory safety regulations apply. Before working with any chemical, read and understand the Safety Data Sheet (SDS).

5. REFERENCES:

- 5.1. BSI-ATM-0074, Analytical Method of Analysis: Sodium Hydroxide via ICP-MS
- 5.2. BSI-SOP-0019, Result Reporting
- 5.3. BSI-SOP-0098, Balance SOP
- 5.4. BSI-SOP-0126, Laboratory Notebooks
- 5.5. BSI-SOP-0135, Laboratory Chemicals
- 5.6. BSI-SOP-0140, Standardization of Titrants
- 5.7. BSI-SOP-0242, Bangor Portable Turbidimeter and Calibration SOP
- 5.8. BSI-SOP-0303, NexION 350X ICP-MS SOP
- 5.9. BSI-SOP-0345, Nexgen-PTS Endotoxin Reader SOP
- 5.10. BSI-SOP-0350, Anton Paar DMA 35 Portable Density Meter Operation and Calibration
- 5.11. *ACS Reagent Chemicals*, current edition
- 5.12. USP-NF current edition

6. EQUIPMENT:

- 6.1. Analytical Balance
- 6.2. Hach Portable Turbidimeter Model 2100 Q, or equivalent
- 6.3. Endosafe PTS Endotoxin Reader, or equivalent
- 6.4. NexION 350X ICP-MS
- 6.5. Anton Paar DMA 35 Portable Density Meter

7. REAGENTS:

- 7.1. **1N Acetic Acid:** Dilute 57 mL of glacial acetic acid to 1 L with purified water.
- 7.2. **10% Ammonium Hydroxide:** Dilute 35 mL of 29% ammonium hydroxide to 100 mL with purified water.
- 7.3. **29% Ammonium Hydroxide:** Purchased commercially
- 7.4. **Ammonium Peroxydisulfate Crystals:** Purchased commercially
- 7.5. **Ammonium Thiocyanate:** Purchased commercially
- 7.6. **30% Ammonium Thiocyanate:** Dissolve 30 g of ammonium thiocyanate in water, and dilute with water to 100 mL.
- 7.7. **Buffer (pH ~9-10):** Purchased commercially
- 7.8. **Ferrous Ammonium Sulfate Hexahydrate:** Purchased commercially

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- 7.9. **Glacial Acetic Acid, concentrated:** Purchased commercially
- 7.10. **Glycerin:** Purchased commercially
- 7.11. **Glycerin Base:** To 200 g of glycerin add water to total weight of 235 g. Add 140 mL of 1N NaOH, 50 mL of purified water and mix.
- 7.12. **Hydrochloric Acid (HCl), concentrated:** Purchased commercially
- 7.13. **Hydrochloric Acid (HCl, 0.02N):** Slowly add 20 mL of 0.1N Hydrochloric acid to 80 mL of purified water to make a total volume of 100 mL.
- 7.14. **Iron Standard (0.01 mg of Fe in 1 mL):** Dissolve 0.702 g of ferrous ammonium sulfate hexahydrate in 10 mL of 10% Sulfuric Acid Reagent Solution, and dilute with water to 100 mL. To 10 mL of this solution, add 10 mL of 10% sulfuric Acid Reagent solution, and dilute with water to 1 L.
- 7.15. **LAL Reagent Water:** Generated in-house or purchased commercially
- 7.16. **Lead Nitrate:** Purchased commercially
- 7.17. **Lead Stock Solution (0.1 mg of Pb in 1 mL):** Dissolve 0.160 g of lead nitrate in 100 mL of dilute nitric acid (1:99), and dilute with purified water to 1 L. The solution should be prepared and stored in containers free from lead.
- 7.18. **Litmus:** Purchased commercially
- 7.19. **Methyl Orange:** Purchased commercially
- 7.20. **Nitric Acid (HNO₃), concentrated:** Purchased commercially
- 7.21. **Dilute nitric acid (1:99):** Dilute 1 mL of 69% nitric acid in 99 mL of purified water.
- 7.22. **pH paper:** Purchased commercially
- 7.23. **Phenolphthalein:** Purchased commercially
- 7.24. **Potassium Carbonate:** Purchased commercially.
- 7.25. **15% Potassium Carbonate:** weigh 15.000 g of Potassium carbonate and transfer to a 100-mL volumetric flask. Dilute to volume with purified water.
- 7.26. **Potassium Hydrogen Phthalate (KHP):** Purchased commercially
- 7.27. **Potassium Hydrogen Phthalate (KHP) Preparation:** Crush and dry a suitable amount of KHP at 120°C for 2 hours. Allow to cool to ambient temperature in a desiccator.
- 7.28. **Potassium Pyroantimonate TS:** Purchased commercially
- 7.29. **Purified Water:** Generated in-house or purchased commercially
- 7.30. **0.1N Silver Nitrate TS:** Purchased commercially
- 7.31. **Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH, 1N):** Purchased commercially
- 7.32. **Sulfuric Acid (H₂SO₄), concentrated:** Purchased commercially
- 7.33. **10% Sulfuric Acid Reagent Solution:** In a well-ventilated fume hood, slowly add 30 mL of 96% sulfuric acid to 375 mL of purified water, cool and dilute with water to 500mL.
- 7.34. **1N Sulfuric Acid (H₂SO₄):** Purchased commercially
- 7.35. **Thioacetamide:** Purchased commercially
- 7.36. **Thioacetamide TS:** Dissolve 4 g of thioacetamide in purified water to make 100 mL.

8. ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES:

NOTE: USP general chapters are used for Assay %, Chloride, Endotoxins, and Identification testing. Normality is adapted from a customer supplied method. The primary method for Heavy Metals (as Pb) and Iron (Fe) is an in-house validated method. Alternate method for Heavy Metals (as Pb) utilizes USP and ACS general chapters and for Iron (Fe) the ACS general chapter is utilized.

IN-PROCESS TESTING**8.1. DENSITY @ 20° ± 1°C REPORT:**

- 8.1.1. The Laboratory or Manufacturing to perform a density check of the material.
- 8.1.2. Laboratory Procedure: Perform a water check on the DMA 35 Density Meter before the sample analysis. Refer to BSI-SOP-0350 for instrument operation and water check analysis.
- 8.1.3. Record the Density of the sample from the DMA 35 Density Meter. Refer to BSI-SOP-0350 for instrument operation and sample analysis.
- 8.1.4. Ensure that the sample is at 20° ± 1°C for analysis.
- 8.1.5. Refer to the current batch record for density specification.
- 8.1.6. Clean the Density Meter immediately after use following BSI-SOP-0350, DMA 35 Density Meter SOP.

8.2. NORMALITY REPORT:

- 8.2.1. Refer to Section 8.9. for sample preparation and testing.
- 8.2.2. **If an adjustment is required, determine assay % of the sample utilizing the following procedure:**
 - 8.2.2.1. Accurately weigh 30-40 g of sample and add 40 mL of purified water in a clean flask. Stopper the flask and cool to room temperature. Add 150 µL phenolphthalein as the indicator. Titrate using previously standardized 1N sulfuric acid to a colorless endpoint (V₁). Add 150 µL Methyl Orange as the indicator. Titrate using previously standardized 1N sulfuric acid to a pink endpoint (V₂).

$$\% NaOH = \frac{V_2 \times N H_2SO_4 \times 4.00}{Sample Weight (g)}$$

FINISHED GOOD TESTING**8.3. APPEARANCE AND COLOR REFER TO SUMMARY SHEET:**

- 8.3.1. Transfer 50 mL of sample into a Nessler tube.
- 8.3.2. In order to pass, test solution is complete, clear, and colorless. Verify the solution appearance against a clear and colorless reference solution, such as purified water, and view against a color comparison plate with suitable lighting.

8.4. CHLORIDE REFER TO SUMMARY SHEET:

- 8.4.1. Thoroughly rinse Nessler tubes using purified water prior to use.
- 8.4.2. Sample Preparation:
 - 8.4.2.1. Weigh 2.0 g of sample and quantitatively transfer to a 50-mL Nessler Color Comparison Tube using purified water.
 - 8.4.2.2. Dilute to ~20 mL with purified water.
 - 8.4.2.3. Slowly, using extreme caution, acidify the sample with nitric acid to litmus.
 - 8.4.2.4. Dilute to ~40 mL with purified water.

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8.4.3. 5 ppm Standard Preparation:

8.4.3.1. Dilute 14.1 µL of 0.02N HCl to ~40 mL with purified water.

8.4.4. Analysis:

8.4.4.1. To both the sample and standard solutions, add 1 mL of concentrated nitric acid and 1 mL of 0.1N Silver Nitrate TS.

8.4.4.1.1. Dilute both the sample and standard solutions to 50mL with purified water.

8.4.4.1.2. Mix and allow solutions to sit for 5 minutes using a calibrated timer.

8.4.4.1.3. After 5 minutes, the turbidity in the sample solution does not exceed the turbidity produced by the standard when viewed against a dark background. Analyze turbidity utilizing the turbidity meter and record the sample NTU results.

8.5. **ENDOTOXINS**

REFER TO SUMMARY SHEET:

8.5.1. Pipet 0.200 mL of sample into a sterile vial and add 1.600 mL of LAL reagent water.

8.5.2. Add ~0.01 mL of concentrated HCl to acidify.

8.5.3. Check the pH of the solution with pH paper: solution must be acidic.

8.5.3.1. If basic add HCl in increments of 0.001 mL until acidic.

8.5.4. Once acidic add sufficient buffer of a pH range ~9-10 until the solution is between pH 6-8.

8.5.5. Add approximately 0.025 mL of buffer.

8.5.6. Dilute with LAL reagent water to a final volume of 10 mL.

8.5.7. Follow the Endosafe Nexgen PTS Endotoxin Reader SOP for sample analysis.

8.5.7.1. The dilution factor is 50.

8.6. **HEAVY METALS (Pb)**

REFER TO SUMMARY SHEET:

8.6.1. Refer to BSI-ATM-0074 for primary method of analysis.

8.6.2. Alternate Method:

8.6.2.1. Standard and Solution Prep:

8.6.2.1.1. Lead Standard Solution (0.01 mg of Pb in 1 mL): Dilute 10 mL of lead stock solution to 100 mL with purified water. This must be prepared at time of use.

8.6.2.1.2. Thioacetamide-Glycerin Base: Thoroughly mix 1 mL of thioacetamide with 5 mL of glycerin base. Heat in a boiling bath of 20 seconds. Prepare immediately before use.

8.6.2.2. Procedure:

8.6.2.2.1. **Note:** Prepare in a hood and use caution for standard and sample prep to avoid spattering of sample.

8.6.2.2.2. Sample Preparation: Weigh 30 g of sample into a suitable beaker and carefully neutralize with 1 mL of nitric acid.

8.6.2.2.3. Standard Preparation: Weigh 10 g of sample into a suitable beaker and add 0.3 mL of concentrated nitric acid. Add 2 mL of 0.01 mg of Lead Standard Solution.

8.6.2.2.4. Place both the standard and sample on a hot plate and evaporate to dryness. Cool and dissolve each residue with 20 mL of purified water. Adjust the pH to between 3 and 4 utilizing a pH meter, with 1N acetic acid or 10% ammonium hydroxide.

8.6.2.2.5. Transfer the solutions to separate Nessler Color Comparison tubes. Add 1.2 mL of freshly prepared thioacetamide-glycerin base to each of the solutions and mix. QS each tube to 50 mL and mix.

- 8.6.2.3. Any brown color produced in the sample solution must not exceed that in the standard solution to be reported as ≤ 1 ppm.

8.7. IDENTIFICATION (SODIUM) REFER TO SUMMARY SHEET:

- 8.7.1. Pipette 1 mL of sample into a test tube containing 25 mL of purified water.
- 8.7.2. Add 2 mL of 15% potassium carbonate and heat to boiling
- 8.7.3. Allow to cool in ice bath and as necessary, rub the inside of the test tube with a glass rod to initiate precipitation
- 8.7.4. No precipitate should be formed at this stage of analysis.
- 8.7.5. Add 4 mL Potassium Pyroantimonate TS and heat to boiling.
- 8.7.6. Allow to cool in ice bath and as necessary, rub the inside of the test tube with a glass rod to initiate precipitation.
- 8.7.7. A dense precipitate must form in order to pass test.

8.8. IRON REFER TO SUMMARY SHEET:

- 8.8.1. Refer to BSI-ATM-0074 for primary method of analysis.
- 8.8.2. Alternate Method:
 - 8.8.2.1. Procedure:
 - 8.8.2.1.1. Sample Preparation: To 20 g of sample, add 0.1 mL of phenolphthalein indicator solution, neutralize with hydrochloric acid and dilute with water to 40 mL.
 - 8.8.2.1.2. 0.01 mg Iron Standard Preparation: Pipette 1 mL of Iron Standard (0.01 mg of Fe in 1 mL) and dilute each with water to 40 mL.
 - 8.8.2.1.3. To the sample and standard solutions add 30-50 mg of ammonium peroxydisulfate crystals, 2 mL of hydrochloric acid, and 3 mL of Ammonium Thiocyanate Reagent Solution and mix.
 - 8.8.2.2. Any red color in the sample must not exceed the 0.01 mg standard Solution to report as < 0.5 ppm.

8.9. NORMALITY REFER TO SUMMARY SHEET:

- 8.9.1. Burette Preparation:
 - 8.9.1.1. Allow the NaOH 1N sample to come to $25^{\circ} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$.
 - 8.9.1.2. Prime the 50 mL burette by filling it with the NaOH 1N sample solution. Empty the burette and repeat.
 - 8.9.1.3. Fill the burette to the required volume with the NaOH 1N sample solution.
- 8.9.2. Sample Preparation:
 - 8.9.2.1. Weigh ~6.1 g of the previously dried KHP into a beaker.
 - 8.9.2.2. Add 100 mL of purified water down the sides of the beaker to avoid the loss of KHP.
- 8.9.3. Analysis Procedure:
 - 8.9.3.1. To the KHP solution, add 150 μL phenolphthalein indicator.
 - 8.9.3.2. Titrate the KHP using the sample solution in the burette, to a pink endpoint.
 - 8.9.3.3. Calculate the normality using the following equation:

$$N = \frac{(KHP \text{ weight } g)}{(0.20423)(\text{mL of NaOH sample solution})}$$