

## PHARMACOPOEIAL DISCUSSION GROUP

## METHYL PARAHYDROXYBENZOATE : SIGN-OFF

Attribute	EP	JP	USP
Definition	+	+	+
Identification A	+	+	+
Appearance of solution	+	+	+
Acidity	+	+	+
Related substances*	+	+	+
Sulphated ash	+	+	+
Assay	+	+	+

\*JP will not include the system suitability requirement and consequently will not include reference solution (b).

**Legend**

+ will adopt and implement ; - will not stipulate

**Non-harmonised attributes**

Characters, Identification by infrared spectrophotometry, Storage

**Reagents and reference materials**

Each pharmacopoeia will adapt the text to take account of local reference materials and reagent specifications.

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**Local requirements**

JP: heavy metals (20 ppm).