

**PHARMACOPEIAL DISCUSSION GROUP  
SIGN-OFF DOCUMENT  
NAME: HYDROXYPROPYL METHYLCELLULOSE**

	Harmonized Attributes		
	EP	JP	USP
Definition	+	+	+
Labeling	+	+	+
Identification			
(1)	+	+	+
(2)	+	+	+
(3)	+	+	+
(4)	+	+	+
(5)	+	+	+
Viscosity			
Method 1	+	+	+
Method 2	+	+	+
pH	+	+	+
Heavy metals	+	+	+
Loss on drying	+	+	+
Residue on ignition	+	+	+
Assay	+	+	+

In EP, Viscosity and Assay will be dealt with in the non-mandatory Functionality-Related Characteristics section.

The assay limits will not be included in the Definition (EP).

**Legend**

+ will adopt and implement; – will not stipulate.

**Non-harmonized attributes**

Packaging and storage

**Specific local attributes**

Appearance of solution (EP), OVI (USP), Description (JP), Limit of glyoxal (EP)

**Reagents and reference materials**

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

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