

## PHARMACOPEIAL DISCUSSION GROUP

## SIGN-OFF DOCUMENT (REVISION 1)

NAME: ANHYDROUS LACTOSE

	Harmonized attributes		
	EP	JP	USP
Definition	+	+	+
Labeling	+	+	+
Clarity and color of solution	+	+	+
Identification			
A	+	+	+
Specific rotation	+	+	+
Acidity or alkalinity	+	+	+
Loss on drying	-	+	+
Water	+	+	+
Content of alpha and beta anomers	+	+	+
Residue on ignition	+	+	+
Protein and light-absorbing impurities	+	+	+

**Legend**

+ will adopt and implement; - will not stipulate

**Non-harmonized attributes**

Characters, Microbial limits, Heavy metals, Packaging and storage

**Local requirements**

Identification B and C (USP)

**Reagents and reference materials**

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

Date:

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Signatures:

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