

PHARMACOPOEIAL DISCUSSION GROUP

SIGN-OFF DOCUMENT, REV. 1

NAME: 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), Hydroxypropoxyl group content (USP), 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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