

LUBRIZOL TEST PROCEDURE

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pH of 1.0% Dispersion Applicable Product: Noveon®* AA-1 Polycarbophil

Scope:

This procedure describes a means of determining the pH of a 1.0% dispersion of Noveon® AA-1 polycarbophil.

Abstract:

A 1.0% dispersion of Noveon[®] AA-1 polycarbophil is prepared. The pH of the dispersion is determined using a pH meter with a calomel-glass electrode.

Safety Precautions:

- 1. Wear safety goggles and gloves and follow good laboratory practices.
- 2. Polymer dust is irritating to the respiratory passages and inhalation should be avoided.
- 3. See all Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for additional safety and handling information.

Interferences:

The introduction of acidic or basic contaminants will influence the pH measurement.

Apparatus:

- 1. Laboratory balance capable of \pm 0.01 gram accuracy.
- 2. Flask, 500 ml.
- 3. Graduated cylinder, 100 ml.
- 4. Mechanical shaker.
- 5. Parafilm.
- 6. Weighing dish.
- 7. Beaker, 300 mL.
- 8. pH meter equipped with a calomel-glass electrode.

Reagents:

1. Deionized water.

Procedure:

- 1. Weigh 1.00 g ± 0.01 g of the Noveon® AA-1 polycarbophil to be tested into a weighing dish.
- 2. Measure 100 mL deionized water in a graduated cylinder and transfer to a 500 ml flask.
- 3. Transfer the sample from the weighing dish to the flask.
- 4. Cover the mouth of the flask with parafilm. Extend the parafilm down the neck of the flask and secure with a rubber band.
- Place the flask on a mechanical shaker for one hour. Ensure contents are adequately mixed.
- 6. Transfer the contents of the flask to a 300 mL beaker.
- 7. Determine the pH of the dispersion with the pH meter equipped with a calomel-glass electrode.
- 8. Record the pH meter reading.

References:

 Current edition of the United States Pharmacopoeia/National Formulary (USP/NF)

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