

PHARMACOPOEIAL DISCUSSION GROUP

SIGN-OFF DOCUMENT (REVISION 1)

NAME: ETHANOL (96 PER CENT) (EP)/ETHANOL (JP)/ALCOHOL (USP)

Attribute	EP	JP	USP
Identification A, B	+	+	+
Appearance	+	+	+
Acidity or alkalinity	+	+	+
Relative density	+	+	+
Absorbance	+	+	+
Volatile impurities	+	+	+
Residue on evaporation	+	+	+
Storage	+	+	+

Legend

+ will adopt and implement ; - will not stipulate

Non-harmonised attributes

Characters

Definition and Relative density

Each pharmacopoeia specifies a different range for the content; the values for relative density vary accordingly and, in addition, are expressed at different temperatures.

Reagents and reference materials

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

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