PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTRY

EXPERIMENT NO -22

OBJECT: To perform assay of ammonium chloride IP 1996.

REFERENCE

Parle A., "Pharmaceutical chemistry I Laboratory Mannual", CBS Publishers and distributors Pvt. Ltd, Ed Ist, 2008, pp 86-87.

STANDARDS

Ammonium Chloride contains not less than 99.00% and not more than 100.5% of NH₄Cl

REQUIREMENTS

Chemical required: Ammonium chloride ,formaldehyde solution, potassium iodide,

0.1 M sodium hydroxide solution.

Apparatus required: conical flask, burette, pipette, beaker, etc.

THEORY

This is an alkalimetric titration.

NH ₄ Cl+ H ₂ O	NH4OH + HCl
NH4OH+ HCHO	$CH_2 = NH + 2H_2O$
HCl+ NaOH	NaCl + H ₂ O

PROCEDURE

Weigh 0.1gm of NH₄Cl dissolve in 20 ml of H_2O and add a mixture of 5 ml of previously neutralized formaldehyde solution and 20 ml water. After 2 minutes the contents of the conical flask is titrated against 0.1N NaOH using phenolphthalein as indicator. End point is the appearance of permanent pale pink colour. Each ml of 0.1N NaOH is equivalent to 0.005349 gm of NH₄Cl.

RESULT:

The percentage purity of ammonium chloride in the given sample is % w/w.