

Stray light application (USP 40 chapter <857> compliance)

The USP (United States Pharmacopeia, the National Formulary. Supplement) is the pharmacopeia of the United States. Stray light levels for ultraviolet-visible spectrophotometers (Model U-3900H, Model UH5300, and Model U-2900) were evaluated using various samples to verify compliance with USP 40 chapter <857>.^{*1} All samples passed acceptance criteria of stray light in USP.



Model U-3900H / UH5300 / U-2900

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*1) USP 40 Physical Tests / <857> Ultraviolet-Visible Spectroscopy Limit of Stray Light (Stray Radiant Energy)

Stray light measurement using an ultraviolet-visible spectrophotometer

- Stray light was measured for various samples (Table 1) using the Model U-3900H, Model UH5300, and Model U-2900 spectrophotometers.
- A solution is placed in a quartz cell having a 5 mm optical path length on the reference side and a quartz cell having a 10 mm optical path length on the sample side (Figure 1). Accept or reject decisions are made based on the acceptance criteria shown in Figure 2.
- Evaluation of the measurement results (Figure 3) showed that the Model U-3900H, Model UH5300, and Model U-2900 spectrophotometers passed acceptance criteria of USP. (Tables 2, 3, and 4).

Measurement samples

Table 1 - Samples for stray light measurement and wavelength range used

| Liquid or solution | Wavelength (nm) |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| KCI (12 g/L) | 190-205 |
| NaI (10 g/L) | 210-259 |
| Acetone | 250-320 |
| NaNO₂ (50 g/L) | 300-385 |

Measurement method

After measuring a baseline with nothing placed in the sample chamber, a spectrum was obtained by placing a solution in a quartz cell having a 5 mm optical path length on the reference side and a quartz cell having a 10 mm optical path length on the sample side.



Figure 1 - Image of measurement method

$S_{\lambda} = 0.25 \times 10^{-2A\lambda}$

 A_{λ} = Observed maximum absorbance Acceptance criteria: $S_{\lambda} \le 0.01$, $A_{\lambda} \ge 0.7A$

Figure 2 - Acceptance criteria of stray light

Measurement results



Figure 3 - Example of sample absorption spectra (Model U-2900)

Table 2 - Results of stray light measurements using Model U-3900H

| | Aλ | Sλ | Acceptance criteria |
|-------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|
| KCI | 1.064 | 0.002 | ОК |
| NaI | 1.133 | 0.001 | ОК |
| Acetone | 1.308 | 0.001 | ОК |
| NaNO ₂ | 1.596 | 0.000 | ОК |

Table 3 - Results of stray light measurements using Model UH-5300

| | Aλ | Sλ | Acceptance criteria |
|-------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|
| KCI | 0.745 | 0.008 | ОК |
| NaI | 1.097 | 0.002 | ОК |
| Acetone | 1.137 | 0.001 | ОК |
| NaNO ₂ | 1.060 | 0.002 | OK |

Table 4 - Results of stray light measurements using Model U-2900

| | Aλ | Sλ | Acceptance criteria |
|-------------------|-------|-------|---------------------|
| KCI | 1.087 | 0.002 | ОК |
| NaI | 1.155 | 0.001 | ОК |
| Acetone | 1.024 | 0.002 | ОК |
| NaNO ₂ | 0.976 | 0.003 | ОК |

[KEYWORDS] Note: External appearance and specifications of the products appearing in this technical report are subject to change for improvement. Note: The data published in this document present measurement examples and are not a guarantee of performance.

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