

**PHARMACOPOEIAL DISCUSSION GROUP  
REVISION OF SIGN-OFF COVER SHEET  
CODE: E-44  
NAME: STEARIC ACID**

(Revision of the sign-off document signed on 3 June 2008)

**Harmonised attributes**

Attribute	EP	JP	USP
Definition	+	+	+
Identification A	+	+	+
Identification B	+	+	+
Identification C	+	+	+
Acidity	+	+	+
Iodine value	+	+	+
Freezing point	+	+	+
Assay	+	+	+
Labelling (type of stearic acid)	+	+	+

**Legend**

+ will adopt and implement ; – will not stipulate

**Non-harmonised attributes**

Characters/description, Nickel, Labelling (source of stearic acid).

**Local requirements**

JP: Heavy metals, Residue on ignition, Storage

USP: Microbial limits

EP: Appearance

**Reagents and reference materials**

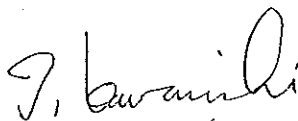
Each pharmacopoeia will adapt the text to take account of local reference materials and reagent specifications.

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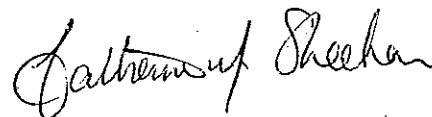
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