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PA/AI/PVC Cold-formed Foil for Solid Pharmaceutical Packaging

This standard applies to the foil that is compositely made of medicinal polyvinyl chloride (PVC), aluminum (AI), and polyamide (PA) through an adhesives. It applies to solid medicines (tablets, capsules, suppositories, etc.) that is packaged with blister packs by cold-form.

[Appearance] Take appropriate amount of the sample. Under natural light, visually inspect it directly. There must not have defects such as perforation, foreign bodies, smell, adhesion, composite layer's separation and significant damage, bubbles, wrinkles, and dirt.

[Identification] Infrared spectrum*: Take appropriate amount of the sample. Determine it according to the Fourth Method of The Test Method for Infrared Spectrum in Packaging material (YBB60012012). PA and PVC shall be consistent with the contrast spectrums respectively.

[Physical Properties] Water Transmission: Take appropriate amount of the sample. It shall be determined according to Test Methods for Water Transmission's (YBB60302012) The Second Test Method's test conditions to select Option B or The Fourth Method's test conditions to select Option 2. When testing, the side of the PVC that faces to low humidity must not exceed 0.5g / (M² • 24h).

Gas Transmission: Take appropriate amount of the sample. It shall be determined according to Test Methods for Gas Transmission's (YBB60292012) First Method (When testing, PVC shall be faced to the low-pressure side). It must not exceed 0.5cm³ / (m² • 24h • 0.1MPa).

Peel strength: Take appropriate amount of the sample. It shall be determined according to Tests for Peel Strength (YBB60312012). The peel strength between PA / Al layer must not be less than 8.0N / 15mm. The peel strength between Al / PVC layer must not be less than 7.0N / 15mm. (If the composite layer can not be peeled off or the composite layer is fractured, then the peel strength is deemed as qualified).

Welding strength: Cut 2 slices of the sample in 100mm \times 100mm. The PVC surface of the composite foil is superimposed to the same-size pharmaceutical packaging aluminum foil (YBB10012012). Perform the welding on heat-seal instrument. The welding temperature is 155 °C \pm 5 °C. The pressure is 0.2Mpa. The time is 1 second. Cut 15mm-wide samples from the welding area. Take the middle 3 strips to perform the test. It shall be determined according to the Tests for Welding Strength (YBB60332012). The average value of welding strengths of 6 samples must not be less than 6.0N / 15mm.

[Translator: This paragraph is not part of December-2012 version] [Solvent residue] Take appropriate amount of the sample. Cut out $0.2m^2$ of the inner surface area. It shall be determined according to the Test Method for Residue of Solvent in Packaging Material (YBB60062012). The total amount of solvent residues must not exceed 5.0mg / m^2 ; in which, the residue of benzene-type solvents must not be detected. The detection limit of single benzene-type solvent is 0.01mg / m^2 . [Translator: This paragraph is not included in December-2012 version]

[Vinyl chloride monomer] Take appropriate amount of the sample. It shall be determined according to Tests for Determination of vinyl chloride monomer (YBB60352012). It must not exceed one in a million.

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