## Reagent Cross References in USP-NF

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In an ongoing effort to better serve its customers, USP is launching a useful new feature that will first appear in *PF* 41(5) and in *USP–NF* beginning with the *Second Supplement* to *USP 39–NF 34*. This new feature consists of cross-references to reagents, solutions, and indicators. USP will add these cross-references within general chapters and monographs gradually over time. Each issue of *PF* will include some of the new cross-references within general chapters and monographs that are new or revised. It is important to note that USP does not have a completion date or deadline for incorporating all of the cross-references that potentially could be added. Instead, the new feature will be added incrementally where possible, on a rolling basis.

USP's goal is to enhance the customer experience by making *PF* and *USP–NF* more convenient to use. The availability of cross-references to reagents, solutions, and indicators will add value to the publications, supporting customer efforts to maximize quality, efficiency, and productivity. Some cross-references will be linked to the official USP reagent, solution, or indicator, but other cross-references will not be linked (e.g., if the referenced reagent is not present in the same issue of *PF*). Wherever possible, live links will be included to bring users directly to the most accurate, up-to-date information on the reagent, solution, or indicator. Within print publications, cross-references will appear italicized to indicate reference to USP reagents, solutions, or indicators.

This new feature will also contribute to USP's broader effort to create robust, cross-linked publications with greater connectivity. Questions and comments are welcome.

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