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**PART I. METHODS OF ANALYSIS IN THE STANDARD FOR INFANT FORMULA AND FORMULAS FOR  
SPECIAL MEDICAL PURPOSES INTENDED FOR INFANTS (CODEX STAN 72-1981)**

Plain Text = Methods and provisions as presented from CCNFSU 16/37/3 Appendix IV

**BOLD** = As currently listed in CODEX STAN 234-1999

Strike Through/Underline = proposed edits to Appendix IV Table and to CODEX STAN 234-1999

Commodity	Provision	Method	Principle	Type
Infant Formula	Vitamin B12	<u>AOAC 2011.10</u> <u>ISO 20634</u>	<u>HPLC</u>	<u>II</u>
<b>Infant Formula</b>	<b>Vitamin B12</b>	<b>AOAC 986.23</b> <b>Total B12 as cyanocobalamin</b>	<b>Turbidimetric</b>	<b>III</b>
Infant	Myo-Inositol	AOAC 2011.18	LC-pulsed amperometry	II

Formula		ISO 20637		
Infant Formula	Chromium	AOAC 2011.19 ISO 20649   IDF 235	ICP-MS	II
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Chromium (Section B of STAN 72 only)</b>	<b>EN 14082</b>	<b>Graphite furnace atomic absorption after dry ashing</b>	<b>III</b>
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Chromium (Section B of STAN 72 only)</b>	<b>EN 14083</b>	<b>Graphite furnace AAS after pressure digestion</b>	<b>III</b>
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Chromium (Section B of STAN 72 only)</b>	<b>AOAC 2006.03</b>	<b>ICP emission spectroscopy</b>	<b>III</b>
Infant Formula	Selenium	AOAC 2011.19 ISO 20649   IDF 235	ICP-MS	II
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Selenium</b>	<b>AOAC 996.16 or AOAC 996. 17</b>	<b>Continuous hydride generation Flame atomic absorption spectrometry (HGAAS)</b>	<b>III</b>
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Selenium</b>	<b>EN 14627</b>	<b>Hydride generation atomic absorption spectrometry (HGAAS)</b>	<b>III</b>
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Selenium</b>	<b>AOAC 2006.03</b>	<b>ICP emission spectroscopy</b>	<b>III</b>
Infant Formula	Molybdenum	AOAC 2011.19 ISO 20649   IDF 235	ICP-MS	II
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Molybdenum (Section B of STAN 72 only)</b>	<b>EN 14083</b>	<b>Graphite furnace AAS after pressure digestion</b>	<b>III</b>

Infant formula	Molybdenum (Section B of STAN 72 only)	AOAC 2006.03	ICP emission spectroscopy	III
Infant Formula	Total nucleotides	AOAC 2011.20 ISO 20638	LC	II
Infant Formula	Total Vitamin E (dl- $\alpha$ -Tocopherol and dl- $\alpha$ -Tocopherol Acetate)	AOAC 2012.10 ISO 20633	HPLC	II
Infant formula	Vitamin E	AOAC 992.03 Measures all rac-vitamin E (both natural + supplemental ester forms) aggregated and quantified as $\alpha$ -congeners	HPLC	III
Infant formula	Vitamin E	EN 12822 (Measures Vitamin E (both natural + supplemental ester forms) aggregated and quantified as individual tocopherol congeners ( $\alpha$ , $\beta$ , $\gamma$ , $\delta$ ).	HPLC	III
Infant Formula	Vitamin A Palmitate (Retinyl Palmitate), Vitamin A Acetate (Retinyl Acetate),	AOAC 2012.10 ISO 20633	HPLC	II
Infant formula	Vitamin A	EN 12823-1 (all-trans-retinol and 13-cis-retinol) Vitamin A (both natural + supplemental ester forms) aggregated and quantified as individual retinol isomers (13 - cis and all-trans)	HPLC	III

Infant Formula	Fatty acids (including trans fatty acids)	AOAC 2012.13 ISO 16958   IDF 231	Gas Chromatography	II
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Fatty acids (including trans fatty acid)</b>	<b>AOAC 996.06</b>	<b>Gas chromatography</b>	<b>III</b>
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Fatty acids (including trans fatty acid)</b>	<b>AOCS Ce 1h-05</b>	<b>Gas chromatography</b>	<b>III</b>
Infant formula	Total fat	AOAC 989.05 ISO 8381 IDF 123	Gravimetry (Röse-Gottlieb)	I
Infant formula	Total fat for milk-based infant formula (Products not completely soluble in ammonia)	ISO 8262-1  IDF 124-1	Gravimetry (Weibull-Berntrop)	I
Infant Formula	Iodine	AOAC 2012.15 ISO 20647   IDF 234	ICP-MS	II
<b>Infant formula</b>	<b>Iodine (for milk-based formula)</b>	<b>AOAC 992.24</b>	<b>Ion-selective potentiometry</b>	<b>III</b>
Infant Formula	Pantothenic Acid	AOAC 2012.16 ISO 20639	UHPLC-MS/MS	II

Method	Provision	Principle	LOD	LOQ		RSD <sub>R</sub> (%)	Recovery	Specification in Standard	
AOAC 2011.10 ISO 20634	Vitamin B12	HPLC		0.8 ug/kg		3.54% - 19.5% Average 6.64%		Min 0.1 ug/100kcal	GUL 1.5 ug/100 kcal
AOAC 2011.18 ISO 20637	Myo-Inositol	LC-pulsed amperometry				1.5% - 5.1%		Min 4 ug/100kcal	GUL 40 ug/100 kcal
AOAC 2011.19 ISO 20649   IDF 235	Chromium	ICP-MS		Powder 100 ng/g	Liquid 20 ng/g	9.3%		Min 1.5 ug/100kcal	GUL 10 ug/100 kcal
AOAC 2011.19 ISO 20649   IDF 235	Selenium	ICP-MS		Powder 50 ng/g	Liquid 10 ng/g	6.5%		Min 1 ug/100kcal	GUL 9 ug/100 kcal
AOAC 2011.19 ISO 20649   IDF 235	Molybdenum	ICP-MS		Powder 100 ng/g	Liquid 20 ng/g	5.3%		Min 1.5 ug/100kcal	GUL 10 ug/100 kcal
AOAC 2011.20 ISO 20638	5'- mononucleotides	LC				4.4% - 5%		Min XX ug/100kcal	GUL XX ug/100 kcal
AOAC 2012.10 ISO 20633	Vitamin A Palmitate (Retinyl Palmitate), Vitamin A Acetate (Retinyl Acetate), Total Vitamin E (dl- $\alpha$ - Tocopherol and	HPLC						Min 60 ugRE/100kcal  * 1ug RE = 3.33 IU vitamin A	Max 180 ugRE/100 kcal  GUL 5 mg $\alpha$ -TE/100kcal  (1 mg $\alpha$ -TE (alpha- tocopherol equivalent) =

	dl- $\alpha$ -Tocopherol Acetate)						Min 0.5 mg $\alpha$ -TE/100kcal	1 mg d- $\alpha$ -tocopherol)
AOAC 2012.13 ISO 16958   IDF 231	Total Fatty Acid Profile	Gas Chromatography						
AOAC 2012.15 ISO 20647   IDF 234	Iodine	ICP-MS		25-50 ug/kg	5.4% - 11.5%		Min 10 ug/100kcal	GUL 60 ug/100 kcal
AOAC 992.07* AOAC 2012.16 ISO 20639	Pantothenic Acid	UHPLC-MS/MS					Min 400 ug/100kcal	GUL 2000 ug/100 kcal

Notes from CAC/GL10-1979 “ADVISORY LISTS OF NUTRIENT COMPOUNDS FOR USE IN FOODS FOR SPECIAL DIETARY USES INTENDED FOR INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN” and from CODEX STAN 72-1981 “STANDARD FOR INFANT FORMULA AND FORMULAS FOR SPECIAL MEDICAL PURPOSES INTENDED FOR INFANTS”

### Nucleotides

Referred to as nucleotides in GL 10 1979, but as Total Nucleotides in STAN 72-1981. In GL 10 there are 7 compounds listed, 3 being disodium salt (Uridine, Guanosine, Inosine), 2 where the neutral compound is also listed. Therefore producing 5 free compounds (Uridine, Guanosine, Inosine, Adenosine, Cytidine), which are the same 5 compounds listed in AOAC 2011.20 Table 2011.20A (*Adenosine 5'-monophosphate, Cytidine 5'-monophosphate, Guanosine 5'-monophosphate, Inosine 5'-monophosphate Uridine 5'-monophosphate*)

### Inositol

Referred to Inositol in GL 10, Myo-Inositol (=meso-Inositol) is listed in GL 10, with Myo-Inositol listed in STAN 72-1981, but no indication of free or bound.

**Vitamin B12**

Referred to Vitamin B12 in GL10, with Cyanocobalamin and Hydroxo-cobalamin listed in GL10 as sources. Vitamin B12 is listed in STAN 72-1981,

**Pantothenic Acid**

Pantothenic is listed as heading in GL10, with the following approved sources Calcium-D-pantothenate , Sodium-D-pantothenate , D-Panthenol , DL-Panthenol and Pantothenic Acid is listed in STAN 72-1981.

**Vitamin A**

Vitamin A is listed in GL10, with sources listed as all trans Retinol, Retinyl acetate, Retinyl palmitate. Vitamin A is listed in STAN 72-1981 with the footnote that reads “*1 µg RE = 3.33 IU Vitamin A = 1 µg all-trans retinol. Retinol contents shall be provided by preformed retinol, while any contents of carotenoids should not be included in the calculation and declaration of vitamin A activity.*”

**Vitamin E**

Vitamin E is listed in GL10, with sources listed as D-alpha-Tocopherol, DL-alpha-Tocopherol, D-alpha-Tocopheryl acetate, DL-alpha-Tocopheryl acetate, D-alpha-Tocopheryl acid succinate, DL-alpha-Tocopheryl acid succinate, DL-alpha-Tocopheryl polyethylene glycol 1000 succinate. Vitamin E is listed in STAN 72-1981 with the following footnote “*1 mg α-TE (alpha-tocopherol equivalent) = 1 mg d-α-tocopherol*”.

**Fatty Acids**

Fat, Total Fat and Fatty Acids are not listed in GL10. Total Fat is listed in STAN 72-1981 with the following footnotes:

*Commercially hydrogenated oils and fats shall not be used in infant formula.*

*Lauric and myristic acids are constituents of fats, but combined shall not exceed 20% of total fatty acids. The content of trans fatty acids shall not exceed 3 % of total fatty acids. Trans fatty acids are endogenous components of milk fat. The acceptance of up to 3% of trans fatty acids is intended to allow for the use of milk fat in infant formulae. The erucic acid content shall not exceed 1% of total fatty acids. The total content of phospholipids should not exceed 300 mg/100 kcal (72 mg/100 kJ).*