

Suggested process for treatment of tablets  
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To remove the paraffin wax place in a low-temperature drying oven ( $105^{\circ}$  -  $110^{\circ}$  cent.) and let melted wax fall into a saucer underneath.

If desired to remove cellulose adhesive, use an acetone application. Then put back to dry into the drying-oven (Temperature as above) and leave in over night.

For baking, put cold into the muffle-furnace and let the temperature rise slowly until it reaches  $700^{\circ}$  centigrade. Do not maintain the tablets in this heat, but switch off, and take tablets out.

To eliminate salt, the baked tablets can now be soaked, first in ordinary water, to reduce the heavy impregnation, and afterwards in distilled, changing the water at intervals. When salt is evidently much reduced, test by dropping a few spots of silver nitrate solution (17 grammes to a litre) into water taken from the tablet-bath. So long as these drops turn opalescent salt is still present.

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