



Product Information

ADA

Product Number **A 9883**
Store at Room Temperature

Product Description

Molecular Formula: $C_6H_{10}N_2O_5$

Molecular Weight: 190.2

CAS Number: 26239-55-4

pK_a : 6.6 (25 °C)

Synonyms: N-(2-acetamido)iminodiacetic acid,
N-(carbamoylmethyl)iminodiacetic acid

ADA is a zwitterionic buffer used in biochemistry and molecular biology. It is one of the Good buffers developed in the 1960's to provide buffers in the pH range of 6.15 - 8.35 for wide applicability to biochemical studies. The pioneering publication by Good and co-workers describes the synthesis of ADA and its physical properties.¹ The useful range of ADA buffer in aqueous solution is 6.0 - 7.2.

The effect of ADA on the activity of dog kidney ($Na^+ + K^+$)-ATPase activity has been investigated.² ADA has been used in a protein-free medium for supporting chick embryo fibroblasts.³ Cardiac muscle contraction in various buffers, including ADA, has been studied.⁴ The inhibition of γ -aminobutyric acid receptor binding to rat brain synaptic membranes by several Good buffers, including ADA, has been reported.⁵ A study of the chelation of H^+ , Ca^{2+} and Mg^{2+} to various buffers, including ADA, has been published.⁶

ADA has been shown to interfere with color development in the bicinchoninic acid assay for protein quantitation.⁷ The use of ADA in the isoelectric focusing of proteins in immobilized pH gradients has been described.⁸

Precautions and Disclaimer

For Laboratory Use Only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in 1 M NaOH (160 mg/ml), yielding a clear, colorless solution.

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