

## Product Information

### Albumin from chicken egg white

Product Number **A 5378**  
Storage Temperature 2-8 °C

#### Product Description

CAS Number: 9006-59-1  
Extinction coefficient:  $E^{1\%} = 6.9$  to  $7.6$  (280 nm)<sup>1</sup>  
pI: 4.54 (4.43-4.66)<sup>2</sup>; 4.9<sup>3</sup>  
Synonym: Ovalbumin

This product is not less than 90% pure by agarose gel electrophoresis.

Chicken egg albumin is the major protein constituent of egg whites. Chicken egg albumin is a phosphorylated-glycoprotein. From the amino acid sequence, the peptide portion of the molecule consists of 385 residues and has a molecular weight of 42.7 kDa.<sup>4</sup> This sequence completely agrees with the reported m-RNA (messenger RNA) sequence.<sup>5</sup> The carbohydrate and phosphate portions account for an additional 1428 and 160 grams per mole respectively, giving a total molecular weight of 44.3 kDa.<sup>6</sup>

Differential scanning calorimetry indicates the chicken egg albumin denatures at 84 °C.<sup>7</sup>

Ovalbumin can be used as a carrier protein to conjugate to synthetic peptides for use as an immunogen. It has the following amino acids: 20 Lys, 10 Tyr, 6 Cys, 14 Asp, and 33 Glu which make it suitable for conjugation.<sup>8</sup>

#### Precautions and Disclaimer

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

#### Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in H<sub>2</sub>O (50 mg/ml), yielding a clear to slightly hazy solution.

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