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Product Information

3-(Trimethoxysilyl)propyl methacrylate

Catalog Number **M6514** Storage Temperature 2–8 °C

CAS RN 2530-85-0

Synonyms: γ-Methacryloxypropyltrimethoxysilane; [3-(Methacryloyloxy)propyl]trimethoxysilane

Product Description



Molecular formula: $C_{10}H_{20}O_5Si$ Molecular weight: 248.35 Appearance: Clear, colorless to faint yellow liquid Density: 1.045 g/mL

3-(Trimethoxysilyl)propyl methacrylate has been used to covalently link polyacrylamide gels to glass plates. Gels cast in this way do not lift from the glass plate as a result of shrinking or swelling due to pH gradient formation during isoelectric focusing. Also the gel will remain attached to the glass plate during staining procedures.¹

This product can also be used to attach cells, microscopic sections, and total organs to slides and other glass surfaces for *in situ* hybridization purposes. The attachment was faster and considerably more durable than using poly-L-lysine or other protein systems.²

Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

Store the product at 2–8 $^{\circ}$ C, protected from moisture. Any cloudiness in the liquid indicates some exposure to water. The product remains active for at least 2 years.

The product will react with water, since alkylsilanes react with hydroxyl groups. An ethanol solution remains active for one day.

Procedure

A procedure for treating glassware.¹

- First, glass plates should be cleaned in strong soap, rinsed thoroughly with water, and dried (preferably in a drying oven.)
- 2. Place spacers around glass plates to allow full contact with the silane solution.
- Dilute 1 mL of 3-(trimethoxysilyl)propyl methacrylate in 200 mL of ethanol and just before use, add 6 mL of dilute acetic acid (1:10 glacial acetic acid:water).
- Pour solution (step 3) onto plates and allow to react for ~3 minutes. Pour off excess, and then rinse plates with ethanol to remove the residual reagent. Allow to dry thoroughly.

A similar procedure without using ethanol:

- Adjust 1 L of water to pH 3.5 with acetic acid. Add 4 mL of 3-(trimethoxysilyl)propyl methacrylate and stir until clear.
- 2. Treat plates for an hour at room temperature, then rinse and dry.

The coated film may be removed from the glass surface by soaking in a 10% sodium hydroxide solution.

References

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