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ProductInformation

DL-Glutamic acid monohydrate

Product Number **G1126** Store at Room Temperature

Product Description

Molecular Formula: C₅H₉NO₄ • H₂O

Molecular Weight: 165.1 CAS Number: 19285-83-7

Melting Point: 225-227 °C (with decomposition) Synonyms: DL-glutaminic acid, DL-α-aminoglutaric acid; DL-1-aminopropane-1,3-dicarboxylic acid¹

Glutamic acid is a non-essential amino acid that is also an excitatory amino acid (EAA) because of its role in neurotransmission.

Its name derives from its historical isolation from wheat gluten. A detailed review of the chemistry of glutamic acid has been published.

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DL-Glutamic acid has been used as an energy source in the isolation of cultured *Thiobacillus acidophilus*. ³ It has been utilized as a supplement in the diet of chicks and been shown to lead to grown depression. ⁴ DL-Glutamic acid has been utilized as a nitrogen source for the culture of nematode eggs from Arkansas Fungus 18 (ARF18) and *Pochonia chlamydospora var. chlamydospora*. ⁵

A method for the analysis of DL-glutamic acid and other amino acids via copper(II) ion, hydrogen peroxide, and pyrocathechol violet has been published. The resolution of DL-glutamic acid as its acetyl derivative through the use of porcine renal acylase I has been reported. 2

DLGlutamic acid has been used as a starting material for the synthesis of imidazo[1,5-a]quinoxaline amides and carbamates that bind with high affinity to the GABA_A/benzodiazepine receptor in cultured *Sf* 9 cells.⁷

Precautions and Disclaimer

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

Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in 1 M HCl (100 mg/ml), yielding a clear, colorless solution.

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