PRODUCT INFORMATION



Glyphosate

Item No. 28858

CAS Registry No.: 1071-83-6

Formal Name: N-(phosphonomethyl)-glycine

Synonym: NSC 151063 MF: C₃H₈NO₅P FW: 169.1 **Purity:** ≥95% Supplied as: A solid

Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥4 years

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

Laboratory Procedures

Glyphosate is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the glyphosate in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Glyphosate is slightly soluble in the organic solvent DMSO.

Further dilutions of the stock solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline should be made prior to performing biological experiments. Ensure that the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of glyphosate can be prepared by directly dissolving the solid in aqueous buffers. Glyphosate is slightly soluble in PBS (pH 7.2). We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Glyphosate is a broad-spectrum, post-emergence herbicide. It inhibits the activity of 5-enolpyruvylshikimate-3-phosphate synthase (EPSPS; $IC_{50} = 5.7 \mu M$ in a cell-free A. aerogenes extract), an enzyme in the shikimate pathway that catalyzes the conversion of shikimic acid to anthranilic acid.^{2,3} Foliar application of glyphosate induces foliage and rhizome necrosis of johnsongrass (S. halepense) when applied at concentrations ranging from 0.56 to 2.24 kg/hectare.⁴ It has been found in soil, surface water, and groundwater samples.³ Formulations containing glyphosate have been used for weed control in agriculture and horticulture.

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WARNING
THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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