Product Information

β-Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide, reduced disodium salt hydrate

≥94% (HPLC)

N6005

Product Description

CAS Registry Number: 606-68-8 (anhydrous) Molecular Formula: $C_{21}H_{27}N_7Na_2O_{14}P_2 \bullet xH2O$

Formula Weight: 709.40 (anhydrous)

Synonyms: β-NADH, NADH, β-DPNH, DPNH, Diphosphopyridine nucleotide, reduced form

 $\lambda_{\text{max}}\text{: }340~\text{nm}^{1}\text{ and }259~\text{nm }(\text{pH }9.5)^{2}$

 $E^{mM} = 6.22 (340 \text{ nm})^1 \text{ and } 14.4 (259 \text{ nm, pH } 9.5)^2$

Fluorescent Properties:3

Excitation Wavelength = 340 nm Emission Wavelength = 460 nm

Structure:

β-NADH is a pyridine nucleotide and biologically active form of nicotinic acid. β -NADH is a coenzyme required for the catalytic reaction of certain enzymes. β -NAD+ is a carrier for hydride ion, forming β -NADH. The hydride ion is enzymatically removed from a substrate molecule by the action of dehydrogenases such as malic dehydrogenase and lactic dehydrogenase. These enzymes catalyze the reversible transfer of a hydride ion from malate or lactate to β -NAD+, forming the reduced product, β -NADH.

Unlike β -NAD⁺, which has no absorbance at 340 nm, β -NADH absorbs at 340 nm. The increase in absorbance (with β -NADH formation) or the decrease in absorbance (with β -NAD⁺ formation) is the basis for measurement of activity of many enzymes at 340 nm.⁴

Many metabolites and enzymes of biological interest are present in tissues at low concentrations. With the use of $\beta\textsc{-NADH}$ as a cofactor and several enzymes in a multistep system, known as enzyme cycling, much greater sensitivity for detection of these components is achieved. $\beta\textsc{-NADH}$ is fluorescent, whereas $\beta\textsc{-NAD^+}$ is **not** fluorescent. This difference in fluorescence provides a sensitive measurement of the oxidized or reduced pyridine nucleotides at concentrations down to 10^{-7} M. 5,6 Discussion of optimizing the fluorescence intensity and identification of interfering substances has been reported. 6

Several publications, $^{10-13}$ theses, $^{14-17}$ and dissertations $^{18-26}$ have cited use of N6005 in their research protocols.

Precautions and Disclaimer

For R&D use only. Not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Reagent

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This product is supplied as a lyophilized powder, packaged by solid weight.

Storage/Stability

Store the product at -20 °C. β -NADH should be stored desiccated and protected from light.¹



Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in 0.01 M NaOH (100 mg/mL).

Solutions should be freshly prepared and used promptly unless extreme care is taken. **Water alone should not be used to prepare solutions**, since it tends to be acidic and would decompose β -NADH. If solutions must be stored for any length of time, phosphate buffers should be avoided since they accelerate the destruction of β -NADH.^{6,7} Tris (0.01 M, pH 8.5) and MES buffers are better options.

Since β -NADH solutions are susceptible to oxidation even at low temperatures, solutions should be prepared at concentrations no greater than 5 mM, at a pH of 9-11, and stored at 4 °C.6 If a low temperature freezer is available (-40 °C or colder), more concentrated solutions can be prepared and stored for years.6

The presence of light and heavy metals can accelerate the oxidation process.¹

Potent enzyme inhibitors have been reported to form from β -NADH in frozen solutions and even in damp powder. These inhibitors have the same absorbance at 340 nm as β -NADH and thus cannot be detected in this manner. Two inhibitors of lactate dehydrogenase which were generated during β -NADH storage have been identified:

- One is a dimer of the dinucleotide where the AMP moiety is unmodified.
- The other is generated from β-NAD⁺ in the presence of a high concentration of phosphate ions at alkaline pH. This compound was formed through the addition of one phosphate group to position C-4 of the nicotinamide ring of β-NAD⁺.

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