

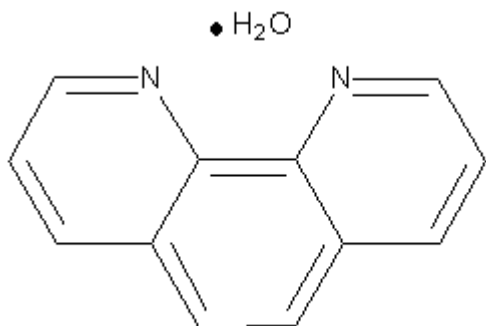
Product Information

1,10-PHENANTHROLINE MONOHYDRATE (ACS Reagent)

Product Number **P 9375**
Storage Temperature RT

CAS #: 5144-89-8
Synonyms: o-phenanthroline; 4,5-phenanthroline

Product Description



1,10-Phenanthroline monohydrate is a white powder with melting point 93-94°C.¹ It has a shelf-life of two years if stored dry; Sigma packages it under inert gas to protect it from moisture and adsorption of carbon dioxide from the air.² It is reported to have a $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 265$ nm with an extinction coefficient $\text{EmM} = 31.5$ (solvent not stated).³

1,10-Phenanthroline forms a complex with ferrous (iron II, Fe²⁺) ion; it can be used as an indicator in oxidation-reduction systems, in titrating ferrous salts.¹ The product forms a complex with Fe²⁺, but not with Fe³⁺. NH₂OH can be added to the solution to reduce the Fe³⁺ to Fe²⁺ for analysis of iron. The complex

between iron (II) and 1,10-phenanthroline can be quantitated by its absorption at 510 nm.⁴ The ACS reagent P1294 is tested for suitability as a redox indicator and suitability for determining iron.⁵ The compound also chelates other metal ions, and has been used to remove or bind metals in metallo-enzymes, inhibiting their activity.⁶ The effective concentration to use as a metallo-protease inhibitor or metal-activated proteases inhibitor is 1-10 mM. Due to the product's strong UV absorbance, it may interfere with spectrophotometric assays.⁷

Preparation Instructions

The product is reported to be soluble one part in about 300 parts water, 70 parts benzene; soluble in alcohol or acetone.¹ It is tested at Sigma at 100 mg/ml in ethanol, giving a clear solution. A stock solution in ethanol or methanol (200 mM) is stable for months at -20°C.⁷ A diluted aqueous solution is stable for days.⁷

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