

## ADENINE FREE BASE

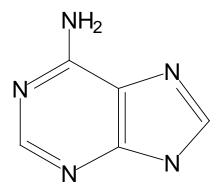
Product Number A8626

CAS #: 73-24-5

Synonyms: adeninimine; 6-aminopurine; 6-amino-1H-purine; vitamin B4:

1,6-dihydro-6-iminopurine

#### **Product Description**



Appearance: White powder, occasionally with a yellow

cast.

Molecular formula: C₅H₅N₅ Molecular weight: 135.1

 $E^{mM}(263nm) = 13.2 (1.0 M HCI)^{3,1}$ 

This product is synthetic; our supplier considers details proprietary. A method of synthesis of C<sup>14</sup>-labeled adenine and 8-azaadenine was developed due to interest as a possible anti-cancer agent.<sup>6</sup>

Adenine is found in every plant and animal tissue; it is one of the four bases in DNA, and is a constituent of numerous coenzymes. Numerous references to its use occur in biochemical literature.

Adenine free base is reagent grade Adenine A8626; A2786 and A5665 have been tested for use in cell culture.

# **ProductInformation**

### **Preparation Instructions**

Sigma tests adenine in 1 M HCl at 20 mg/mL, obtaining a clear colorless solution. (Note that the hydrochloride salt is directly water-soluble.)

Adenine is soluble in at 1 part to ~2000 parts cold water, 1 part in 40 of boiling water; slightly soluble in hot alcohol; insoluble in chloroform, ether; soluble in hot  $NH_4OH$ .

Solutions should be stable for months if sterile-filtered and stored at 2-8 °C.

# Storage/Stability

When stored at room temperature, adenine has a shelf-life of four years.

#### **Product Profile**

Column: Vydac C18 15 cm x 4.6 mm, particle size 5 μm				
Mobile phases:	Time:	0	5	25
A 0.05 M (NH <sub>4</sub> )H <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>		100	100	20%
B Acetonitrile		0	0	80

Pressure: 1270 psi Flow rate: 1 mL/min

Sample: Dissolved at 0.20 mg/mL in 0.5 M HCl; 30 μL

injected

Detection: 265 nm

Retention time: ~9 minutes (lot 043H0583)

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