

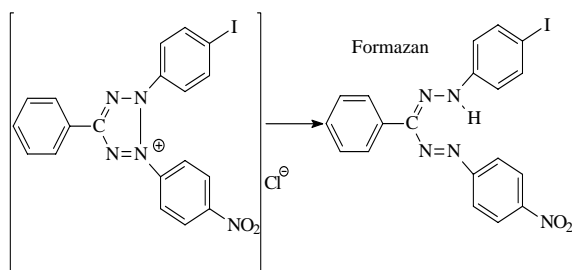


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Product Information

p-Iodonitrotetrazolium Violet



IODONITROTETRAZOLIUM FORMAZAN

Sigma Prod. No. **I7375**

Replacement for Product Code **25,109-7**

CAS NUMBER: 7781-49-9

SYNONYM: INT formazan

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Appearance: Dark brown powder with dark red cast

Molecular formula: C₁₉H₁₄IN₅O₂

Molecular weight: 471.3

Melting point: 184-186EC¹

Spectral data: The absorption maximum appears to be solvent-dependent.

E^{mM}(644nm) = 84 (alkaline DMF)^{1,2}

E^{mM}(485nm) = 20 (95% alcohol)³

STORAGE / STABILITY AS SUPPLIED:

This product is stable for at least two years stored at room temperature.

SOLUBILITY / STABILITY OF SOLUTIONS:

INT formazan is insoluble in water, but is soluble in dimethyl formamide (DMF) at 50 mg/mL, giving a dark red solution. It is also slightly soluble in 95% ethanol (7mg/100 mL), or in ethyl acetate. INT formazan is also reportedly rather fat-soluble. Solutions are reasonably stable stored in the dark at 2-8EC.

GENERAL REMARKS:

INT formazan, I7375, is the reduced form of p-iodonitrotetrazolium violet, Sigma I8377. The oxidized form is somewhat soluble in water; this reduced form is not, so it can be visually detected in a histochemical assay, or extracted using ethanol or other organic solvent and determined spectrophotometrically. Please see suggested

references for the use of I8377 below.

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