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PREFACE

New methodologies and databases for biochemistry and molecular biology are constantly being added to current sources. This *Handbook* updates previous handbooks in a format which is easy to use in the laboratory.

New information, in areas such as restriction enzymes, is always being published, so it is impossible to be completely up-to-date. However, the tables in this *Handbook* contain the most relevant data available at the time of publication.

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Section 1
Amino Acids and Proteins



AMINO ACIDS

DATA ON THE NATURALLY OCCURRING AMINO ACIDS

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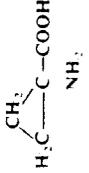
The amino acids included in these tables are those for which reliable evidence exists for their occurrence in nature. These tables are intended as a guide to the primary literature in which the isolation and characterization of the amino acids are reported. Originally, it was planned to include more factual data on the chemical and physical properties of these compounds; however, the many different conditions employed by various authors in measuring these properties (i.e., chromatography and spectral data) made them difficult to arrange into useful tables. The rotation values are as given in the references cited; unfortunately, in some cases there is no information given on temperature, solvent, or concentration.

The investigator employing the data in these tables is urged to refer to the original articles in order to evaluate for himself the reliability of the information reported. These references are intended to be informative to the reader rather than to give credit to individual scientists who published the original reports. Thus not all published material is cited.

The compounds listed in Sections A to N are known to be of the L configuration. Section O contains some of the D amino acids which occur naturally. This last section is not intended to be complete since most properties of the D amino acids correspond to those of their L enantiomorphs. Therefore, emphasis was placed on including those D amino acids whose L isomers have not been found in nature. The reader will find additional information on the D amino acids in the review by Corrigan^{2,3} and in the book by Meister.¹

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DATA ON THE NATURALLY OCCURRING AMINO ACIDS (continued)

No.	Amino acid (synonym)	Source	Structure	Formula (mol wt)	Melting point °C ^a	[α] _D ^b	pK _a	References			
								Isolation and purification	Chromatography	Chemistry	Spectral data
A. L-Monoamino, Monocarboxylic Acids											
1	Alanine (α-aminopropionic acid)	Silk fibroin	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH}$	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$ (89.09)	297°	+1.8 ²³ (c 2, H ₂ O) (1)	2.34 9.69	2	3	4	4
2	β-Alanine (β-aminopropionic acid)	<i>Iris tinctiana</i>	$\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$	$\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$ (89.09)	196° (dec)	+14.6 ²⁵ (c 2, 5N HCl) (1)	3.55 10.24	5	5	5	5
3	α-Aminobutyric acid	Yeast protein	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH}$	$\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2$ (103.12)	292° (dec)	+20.5 ²⁵ (c 1-2, 5N HCl) (290) +9.3 ²⁵ (c 1-2, (H ₂ O) (290)) -4.2 ²⁵ (c 1-2, gl acetic) (290)	2.29 9.83	6	7	6	6
4	γ-Aminobutyric acid (piperidinic acid)	Bacteria	$\text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{COOH}$	$\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2$ (103.12)	203° (dec)	-	4.03 10.56 (290)	8-10	9, 10	11	-
5	1-Aminocyclopropane-1-carboxylic acid	Peas and apples		$\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{NO}_2$ (101.11)	-	-	-	11	11	12	12
6	2-Amino-3-formyl-3-pentenoic acid	<i>Bankera fulginea</i> <i>Fulginea</i> (a mushroom)	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}=\text{C}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH}$	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2$ (143.15)	-	-	-	13	13	13	13
7	α-Aminoheptanoic acid	<i>Claviceps purpurea</i>	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH}$	$\text{C}_7\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_2$ (145.21)	-	-	-	14	14	-	-

DATA ON THE NATURALLY OCCURRING AMINO ACIDS (continued)

No.	Amino acid (synonym)	Source	Structure	Formula (mol wt)	Melting point °C ^a	[α] _D ^b	pK _a	References		
								Isolation and purification	Chromatography	Chemicality
7a	2-Amino-4,5-hexadienoic acid	<i>Amarita solitaria</i>	$H_2C=C=CHCH_2-CH(NH_2)COOH$	$C_6H_9NO_2$ (127.16)	200° (dec) (14a)	-	-	14a	-	14a
8	2-Amino-4-hexenoic acid	Ilamycin	$CH_3CH=CHCH_2CH(NH_2)COOH$	$C_8H_{11}NO_2$ (129.17)	-	-	-	15	15	-
8a	2-Amino-4-hydroxyhep-6-ynoic acid	<i>Euphorbia longan</i>	$HC\equiv C-CH_2CH(OH)CH_2CH(NH_2)COOH$	$C_9H_{11}NO_3$ (157.19)	-27° ^a (c 2, H ₂ O) -8° ^a (c 1, 5 N HCl) (85a)	-	-	15a	15a	15a
8b	2-Amino-6-hydroxy-4-methyl-4-hexenoic acid	<i>Aesculus Californica</i> seeds	$ \begin{array}{c} H \\ \\ HOH_2C-C \\ \\ C \\ \\ H_3C \end{array} $ $ \begin{array}{c} CH_2CH(NH_2)COOH \\ \\ C \\ \\ H_3C \end{array} $	$C_9H_{13}NO_3$ (159.21)	-	-31° ^a (c 2,2, H ₂ O) +2° ^a (c 1,1, 5 N HCl) (236)	-	23b	-	15b
8c	2-Amino-4-hydroxy-5-methyl hexenoic acid	<i>Euphorbia longan</i>	$ \begin{array}{c} HC\equiv C \\ \\ CHCH_2CH(NH_2)COOH \\ \\ HOH_2C \end{array} $	$C_9H_{13}NO_3$ (157.19)	-	-27° ^a (c 2, H ₂ O) -13° ^a (c 1, 5 N HCl) (15a)	-	15a	-	15a
8d	2-Amino-3-hydroxy-methyl-3-pentenoic acid	<i>Banana fuliginosa</i>	$ \begin{array}{c} CH_2OH \\ \\ H_2CCH=COCH(NH_2)COOH \end{array} $	$C_8H_{11}NO_3$ (145.18)	160-161° (dec) (13) +182° ^a (c 0.8, H ₂ O) +201° ^a (c 0.8, 0.3 N HCl) (13)	-	-	13	13	13
9	α-Aminoisobutyric acid	<i>Iris tingiana</i> , muscle protein	$(CH_3)_2C(NH_2)COOH$	$C_5H_9NO_2$ (103.12)	200° (dec)	-	-	16	16	-
10	β-Aminoisobutyric acid	<i>Iris tingiana</i>	$NH_2CH_2CHCOOH$ CH ₃	$C_5H_9NO_2$ (103.12)	179° (87)	-21° ^a (c 0.43, H ₂ O) (17)	-	17	17	17

DATA ON THE NATURALLY OCCURRING AMINO ACIDS (continued)

		References									
No.	Amino acid (synonym)	Source	Structure	Formula (mol wt)	Melting point °C	$[\alpha]_D^{25}$	pK_a	Isolation and purification	Chromatography	Chemistry	Spectral data
10a	2-Amino-4-methoxy- <i>trans</i> -3-butenic acid	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{H}_1\text{CO} \quad \text{H} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{C}=\text{C} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{H} \quad \text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \end{array} $	$\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{NO}_2$ (131.15)	-	-	-	17a	17b	-	17a, 17b
11	γ -Amino- α -methylene butyric acid	<i>Aecleth hypogaea</i> (groundnut plants)	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{NH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{COOH}) \\ \\ \text{CH}_2 \end{array} $	$\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2$ (115.13)	152° (18)	-	-	18	18	18	-
12	2-Amino-4-methylhexanoic acid (homoleucine)	<i>Aecleth Californica</i> seeds	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2 \\ \\ \text{CH} \\ \\ \text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \\ \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} $	$\text{C}_7\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$ (145.21)	-	-2° (c 1, H ₂ O) (19) +24° (c 0.87, 5N HCl) (19)	-	19	19	19	19
13	2-Amino-4-methyl-4-hexenoic acid	<i>Aecleth Californica</i> seeds	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{H}_3\text{C} \quad \text{H} \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{C}=\text{C} \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ \text{H}_2\text{C} \quad \text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \end{array} $	$\text{C}_7\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$ (143.19)	-	-61° (c 2.4, H ₂ O) (19) -36 (c 1.2, 6N HCl) (19)	-	19	19	19	19
13a	2-Amino-4-methyl-5-hexenoic acid	<i>Streptomyces</i> species	$ \text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}(\text{CH}_2)\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} $	$\text{C}_7\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$ (143.21)	260° (dec) (19a)	-9.6° (c 1.78, H ₂ O) +5.7 (c 0.7, 1N HCl) (99a)	-	19a	19a	-	19a
14	2-Amino-5-methyl-4-hexenoic acid	<i>Leuconostictus bulgiger</i>	$ \begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ \\ \text{CH}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \\ \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} $	$\text{C}_7\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$ (143.19)	260-270° (dec) (22a)	-45.9° (c 0.47, H ₂ O) -7° (c 0.4, 1N HCl) (22a)	-	22, 22a	22a	-	22a

DATA ON THE NATURALLY OCCURRING AMINO ACIDS (continued)

No.	Amino acid (synonym)	Source	Structure	Formula (mol wt)	Melting point °C ^a	[α] _D ^b	pK _a	References			
								Isolation and puri- fication	Chroma- tography	Chem- istry	Spectral data
14a	2-Amino-4-methyl-5-hexenoic acid	<i>Euphorbia longan</i>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{HC} \equiv \text{C} \\ \\ \text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \\ \\ \text{H}_2\text{C} \end{array}$	C ₈ H ₁₁ NO ₂ (141.19)	-	-33° (c 2, H ₂ O) -27° (c 1, 5 N HCl) (15a)	-	15a	15a	15a	
15	α-Amino-octanoic acid	<i>Aspergillus nysique</i>	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₅ CH(NH ₂)COOH	C ₈ H ₁₅ NO ₂ (159.23)	-	-	-	23	23	23	23
15a	2-Amino-4-pentynoic acid	<i>Streptomyces</i> sp. #8-4	$\begin{array}{c} \text{HC} \equiv \text{CCH}_2\text{CH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \end{array}$	C ₈ H ₁₁ NO ₂ (113.13)	241-242 ^c (dec) (23a)	-31.1° (c 1, H ₂ O) -5.5° (c 1, 5 N HCl) (23a)	-	23a	23a	23a	23a
15a'	α-(Carboxycyclopropyl)glycine	<i>Aerobius perriflorae</i>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{HOOC} \text{---} \text{CH} \text{---} \text{CHCH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \\ \quad \\ \text{CH}_2 \quad \text{CH}_2 \end{array}$	C ₈ H ₁₁ NO ₂ (159.16)	-	+25° (c 1, H ₂ O) +58 (c 0.5, 5 N HCl) (23a')	-	23a'	23a'	-	23a'
15b	trans-(Carboxycyclopropyl)glycine	<i>Bifida sapida</i>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{HOOC} \text{---} \text{CH} \text{---} \text{CHCH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \\ \quad \\ \text{CH}_2 \quad \text{CH}_2 \end{array}$	C ₈ H ₁₁ NO ₂ (159.16)	-	+107° (c 2, H ₂ O) +146° (c 1, 5 N/HCl) (23a')	-	23a'	23a'	-	23a'
15b'	trans-(2-Carboxymethylcyclopropyl)glycine	<i>Bifida unguicula</i>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{HC} \text{---} \text{CH}_2 \text{---} \text{CHCH}(\text{NH}_2)\text{COOH} \\ \quad \\ \text{CH}_2 \quad \text{CH}_2 \end{array}$	C ₈ H ₁₁ NO ₂ (173.19)	-	+12° (c 1, H ₂ O) +45° (c 0.5, 5 N HCl) (99a)	-	99a	99a	-	99a