# Product Information



# L-NMMA (acetate)

Item No. 10005031

CAS Registry No.:	53308-83-1	
Formal Name:	N <sup>5</sup> -[imino(methylamino)methyl]-L-	·····H
	ornithine, monoacetate	N I
Synonym:	L-N <sup>G</sup> -monomethyl Arginine acetate	
MF:	$C_7H_{16}N_4O_2 \bullet C_2H_4O_2$	
FW:	248.3	▲ H H NH <sub>2</sub>
Purity:	≥99%	11 11 2
Stability:	≥1 year at -20°C	
Supplied as:	A crystalline solid	

# Laboratory Procedures

For long term storage, we suggest that L-NMMA (acetate) be stored as supplied at -20°C. It should be stable for at least one year.

L-NMMA (acetate) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the L-NMMA (acetate) in the solvent of choice. L-NMMA (acetate) is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, and DMSO which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of L-NMMA (acetate) in these solvents is approximately 1 and 0.25 mg/ml respectively.

Further dilutions of the stock solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline should be made prior to performing biological experiments. Ensure that the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of L-NMMA (acetate) can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline compound in aqueous buffers. The solubility of L-NMMA (acetate) in PBS, pH 7.2, is approximately 10 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

L-NMMA is the archetypal competitive NOS inhibitor to which other inhibitors are often compared.<sup>1</sup> It is a relatively non-selective inhibitor of all NOS isoforms. The K<sub>i</sub> values for nNOS (rat), eNOS (human), and iNOS (mouse) are approximately 0.18, 0.4, and 6 µM, respectively.<sup>2,3</sup>

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