# EGTA tetrasodium salt \*UltraPure Grade\* and \*10 mM aqueous solution\*

# Ordering InformationStorage ConditionsProduct Numbers: 21007 (1 g), 21008 (10 mL)Store at room temperature<br/>Expiration date is 12 months from the date of receipt

#### **Chemical and Physical Properties**

## **Biological Applications**

EGTA is a water-soluble and cell-impermeable calcium chelator. It is useful for the determination of calcium in the presence of magnesium.

## Sample Protocol for Calcium Measurement

Titrate the concentration of free Ca<sup>2+</sup> in solution by mixing different amounts of  $K_2EGTA$  and CaEGTA. The reactions of these solutions with Fluo-3 or Fluo-8 dye should be at room temperature, pH 7.2 and 100 mM KCl. Under these conditions, the  $K_d$  for EGTA is 150 nM. Measure the Fluo-8 fluorescence intensity with a fluorescence microplate reader at Ex/Em = 490/525 nm.

1. Mix the relative volumes of K<sub>2</sub>EGTA (Cat. # 21008) and CaEGTA according to the following table.

Sample #	Volume K <sub>2</sub> EGTA, μL	Volume CaEGTA, μL	Calculated free Ca <sup>2+</sup> , µM	RFU
zero (blank)	1000	0	0	0
1	900	100		
2	800	200		
3	700	300		
4	600	400		
5	500	500		
6	400	600		
7	300	700		
8	200	800		
9	100	900		

2. Calculate the concentration of free  $Ca^{2+}$  in each solution using the following formula:  $[Ca^{2+}]_{free} = K_d^{\ EGTA} \ x \ \{[CaEGTA]/[K_2EGTA]\}$  (Note: the  $K_d$  of EGTA is 150 nM).

- 3. Add 1 µL of 1 mM Fluo-3 or Fluo-8 into each solution including the blank.
- 4. Read the fluorescence intensity of each solution with a fluorescent microplate reader at Ex/Em = 490/525 nm.

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