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# CERTIFIED REFERENCE MATERIAL CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

### NMIA D917: Phenylacetic acid

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Chemical Formula: C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

Molecular Weight: 136.2 g/mol

## OH

### **Certified value**

Batch No.	CAS No.	Purity (mass fraction)
07-D-02	103-82-2	99.8 ± 1.3%

The uncertainty has been calculated according to ISO Guide 35 and is stated at the 95% confidence limit (k = 2).

IUPAC name: Phenylacetic acid

**Expiration of certification:** The property values are valid till 28 January 2031, i.e. ten years from the date of re-certification provided the **unopened** material is handled and stored in accordance with the recommendations below. The material as issued in the unopened container and stored as recommended below should be suitable for use beyond this date, subject to confirmation of batch stability from the issuing body. The expiry date/shelf life does not apply to sample bottles that have been opened. In such cases it is recommended that the end-user conduct their own in-house stability trials.

**Description:** White crystals prepared by synthesis or sourced from an external supplier, certified for identity and purity by NMIA. Packaged in amber glass bottles with a septum and crimped aluminium cap or screw top cap.

Intended use: This certified reference material is suitable for use as a primary calibrator.

**Instructions for use:** Equilibrate the bottled material to room temperature before opening.

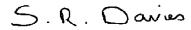
Recommended storage: When not in use this material should be stored at or below 25 °C in a closed container in a dry, dark area.

**Metrological traceability:** The certified purity value is traceable to the SI unit for mass (kg) through Australian national standards via balance calibration. In the mass balance approach all impurities are quantified as a mass fraction and subtracted from 100%.

**Stability:** This material has demonstrated stability over a minimum period of ten years. The long-term stability of the compound in solution has not been examined.

**Homogeneity assessment:** The homogeneity of the material was assessed using purity assay by GC-FID on ten randomly selected 1-2 mg sub samples of the material. The material was judged to be sufficiently homogeneous at this level of sampling as the variation in analysis results between samples was not significantly different at a 95% confidence level from that observed on repeat analysis of the same sample.

**Caution:** Treat as a hazardous substance. Use appropriate work practices when handling to avoid skin or eye contact, ingestion or inhalation of dust. Refer to the provided safety data sheet.



Dr Stephen R. Davies, Team Leader, Chemical Reference Materials, NMI. 19 September 2022

This report supersedes any issued prior to 19 September 2022.

NATA Accreditation No. 198 / Corporate Site No. 14214.

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#### **Characterisation Report:**

The identity was confirmed by a range of spectroscopic techniques, NMR, IR and MS. The certified purity value was obtained by mass balance from a combination of traditional analytical techniques, including GC-FID, thermogravimetric analysis, Karl Fischer analysis and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy. The purity value is calculated as per Equation 1.

Purity =  $(100 \% - I_{ORG}) \times (100 \% - I_{VOL} - I_{NVR})$  Equation

IORG = Organic impurities of related structure, IVOL = volatile impurities, INVR = non-volatile residue.

Supporting evidence is provided by elemental microanalysis.

GC-FID: Instrument: Agilent 6890N

 $\label{eq:column: HP-1, 30 m x 0.32 mm l.D. x 0.25 mm} $$ \text{Program:} $$ 80 °C (1 min), 15 °C/min to 300 °C (3 min) $$$ 

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Injector:} & 150 \ \mbox{°C} \\ \mbox{Detector Temp:} & 320 \ \mbox{°C} \\ \mbox{Carrier:} & \mbox{Helium} \\ \mbox{Split ratio:} & 20/1 \end{array}$ 

Relative mass fraction of the main component:

Initial analysis: Mean = 99.98%, s = 0.005% (10 sub samples in duplicate, May 2007) Re-analysis: Mean = 99.98%, s = 0.004% (5 sub samples in duplicate, May 2008) Re-analysis: Mean = 99.99%, s = 0.01% (5 sub samples in duplicate, April 2009) Re-analysis: Mean = 99.94%, s = 0.05% (5 sub samples in duplicate, April 2010) Re-analysis: Mean = 99.98%, s = 0.006% (5 sub samples in duplicate April 2011) Re-analysis: Mean = 99.90%, s = 0.013% (5 sub samples in duplicate March 2016) Re-analysis: Mean = 99.91%, s = 0.037% (5 sub samples in duplicate January 2021)

Karl Fischer analysis: Moisture content < 0.2% mass fraction (May 2007)

Moisture content < 0.1% mass fraction (May 2008 - January 2021)

Thermogravimetric analysis: Volatile content not determined due to volatility of the material

Non volatile residue < 0.2% mass fraction (May 2007 & 2008)

#### Spectroscopic and other characterisation data

GC-MS: Instrument: HP 6890N/5973N

Column:  $\label{eq:heaviside} \begin{array}{ll} \text{HP-5MS, 30 m} \times 0.25 \text{ mm I.D.} \times 0.20 \ \mu\text{m} \\ \text{Program:} \\ \end{array}$   $\begin{array}{ll} \text{60 °C (1 min), 40 °C/min to 300 °C (6 min)} \\ \end{array}$ 

Injector: 250 °C Transfer line temp: 300 °C

Carrier: Helium, 1.0 mL/min

Split ratio: Split less Scan range: 50-550 *m/z* 

The retention time of the parent compound is reported along with the major peaks in the mass spectrum. The latter are reported as mass/charge rations and (in brackets) as a percentage relative to the base peak.

Parent (4.3 min): 137 (M+1, 3), 136 (M+, 35), 92 (18), 91 (100), 65 (14), 51 (5) m/z

TLC: Conditions: Kieselgel 60F<sub>254</sub>. Ethyl acetate

Single spot observed,  $R_f = 0.6$ . Visualisation with UV at 254 nm

IR: Instrument: Biorad FTS300MX FT-IR Range: 4000-400 cm<sup>-1</sup>, KBr pellet

Peaks: 3654, 3090, 2737, 2657, 2560, 2056, 1951, 1697, 1496, 1450, 1408, 1229, 1193,

1074, 902, 751, 700 cm<sup>-1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>H NMR: Instrument: Bruker DMX-600

Field strength: 600 MHz

Solvent: MeOH-d<sub>4</sub> (3.30 ppm)

Spectral data:  $\delta$  3.58 (2H, s), 7.21-7.30 (5H, m) ppm

<sup>13</sup>C NMR: Instrument: Bruker DMX-500

Field strength: 151 MHz

Solvent: MeOH-d<sub>4</sub> (49.9ppm)

Spectral data:  $\delta$  42.8, 128.8, 130.4, 131.2, 137.0, 176.5 ppm

Melting point: 76.5-77.5 °C

Microanalysis: Found: C = 70.7%; H = 6.0% (June 2007)

Calculated: C = 70.6%; H = 5.9% (Calculated for  $C_8H_8O_2$ )