

How High Quality is Assured in SCHWARZ Biochemicals

Some SCHWARZ

Fine Chemicals for Industry and Research

> Purines and Pyrimidines Phosphorylated Adenosine Compounds

Cozymase
Nucleosides
and
Nucleotides
Nucleic Acids
and
Metallic
Nucleates

Sugar Phosphates Glutathione Sulfhydryl Reagents Sugars Triphenyl Tetrazolium

Chloride Deoxynucleosides Optically Standardized

Amino Acids

Radioactive Chemicals

High Specifications Are Established

A specification sheet delineates the quality of every chemical manufactured by Schwarz. These specifications are prepared in our Research Laboratories and are based on careful literature searches for the correct values.

Each Lot Must Meet These Specifications

Every lot of Schwarz compound is analyzed in our Control Laboratories before it leaves the production laboratory. Each assay must meet the specifications set forth. The assay slip must be approved by the head of our research group.

Complete Records Are Kept For Each Lot

A lot number appears on every shipment of fine chemicals made by Schwarz. A copy of the analysis of each lot is filed in our Order Department—so every purchaser instantly may be given data he may need.

Extensive Research Is Maintained

Schwarz research is intensively directed to the commercial production of cell substances. Schwarz Laboratories was the first and in many cases is the only manufacturer of a number of important biochemicals.

All Operations Are Guided By Long Experience

Schwarz Laboratories has a long record of accomplishment and leadership in manufacturing biochemical intermediates. It is the oldest and largest manufacturer in the world of nucleic acid and its related derivatives. You can rely on Schwarz.

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LETTERS

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Reference Citations

The citation of references in scientific papers should enable the reader to locate the specific point in the referent article quickly and efficiently. The usual method of citing a reference does not accomplish this purpose, for, ordinarily, only the first page of the article or the inclusive pages are given in the reference. Only in the case of books is the page number given. When a highly specific point is made, which may be buried in a table, footnote, or paragraph, it frequently becomes a very difficult task to locate and verify the information, especially when the paper is long or involved. We have run into this difficulty, especially in citations for enzymatic inhibitors, activators, melting points and other physical constants, and data and procedures which may be incidental to the main subject of the paper.

It is, therefore, suggested that when a highly specific point is referred to in a paper, the usual reference be given in whatever style the journal requires, followed by a more specific citation in parentheses. The following hypothetical example will illustrate this point. A. N. Jones and J. A. Smith, J. Biol Chem. 89, 54 (1984) (p. 56), (56), or (56, Table III), or (56, paragraph 2), and so forth.

The attention of editors of scientific journals to this matter is recommended.

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When authors of papers supply the information, Science does just what Green and Schlein ask for, although not exactly in the form that they suggest.

Tools for Communication

Language is our box of tools for thinking and for communication. The tools (words) ought to be kept sharp (precisely defined). The invention of new tools (words and symbols) for new uses (concepts), and for the old ones too, is to be encouraged. The sooner an inconvenient tool is replaced by a more effective one, the better.

I have a pet aversion, namely, the term milligrams percent, meaning milligrams of solute in 100 milliliters of solu-