



>>Entry Name: Lithium nitrate (LiNO₃)

Synonym(s): Nitric acid, lithium salt, 8Cl

CAS Registry Number: 7790-69-4

LiNO₃

Molecular Formula: LiNO₃

Molecular Weight: 68.946

Accurate Mass: 69.003822

Percentage Composition: Li 10.07%; N 20.32%; O 69.62%

Source/Synthesis: Prepd. by slow neutralisation of Li₂CO₃ with HNO₃; cryst. as trihydrate

Use/Importance: Commercially available. Component of low melting salt mixtures (e.g. LiNO₃-KNO₃ eutectic)

Physical Description: White rhombohedral cryst.; hygroscopic

Melting Point: Mp 264°

Solubility: V. sol. H₂O (90 g per 100 cm³ at 28°; 234 g per 100 cm³ at 100°); sol. EtOH, Py

Other Data: ΔH_f° -483 kJ mol⁻¹; ΔG_f° -381 kJ mol⁻¹; S° 90 J K⁻¹ mol⁻¹

Hazard & Toxicity: Oxidiser, irritant

Aldrich: 22798-6

Fluka: 62575

Sigma: L4658

>>Derivative: Trihydrate

CAS Registry Number: 13453-76-4

Molecular Formula: H₆LiNO₆

Molecular Weight: 122.992

Accurate Mass: 123.035517

Percentage Composition: H 4.92%; Li 5.64%; N 11.39%; O 78.05%

Use/Importance: Latent heat storage material; phase change material

Physical Description: Colourless cryst. Dec. on heating by H₂O loss (-2½ H₂O at 30°; -3H₂O at 61°)

Melting Point: Mp 30°

Solubility: V. sol. H₂O (35 g per 100 cm³ at 0°; 57.5 g per 100 cm³ at 30°); sol. EtOH, MeOH, Me₂CO

Other Data: ΔH_f° -1374 kJ mol⁻¹; ΔG_f° -1104 kJ mol⁻¹; S° 223 J K⁻¹ mol⁻¹; ΔH_{fus} 36.4 kJ mol⁻¹

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