



>>Entry Name: Tetrakis[carbonato(2-)]dihydroxypentamagnesium, 9CI

Synonym(s): Basic magnesium carbonate

CAS Registry Number: 7760-50-1

$\text{Mg}_5(\text{CO}_3)_4(\text{OH})_2$

Molecular Formula: $\text{C}_4\text{H}_2\text{Mg}_5\text{O}_{14}$

Molecular Weight: 395.576

Accurate Mass: 393.86967

Percentage Composition: C 12.15%; H 0.51%; Mg 30.72%; O 56.62%

>>Derivative: Tetrahydrate

CAS Registry Number: 12072-91-2

Extra CAS Registry Numbers(s): 12072-90-1

Source/Synthesis: Widespread in nature as the mineral *hydromagnesite*. Synth. by heating $\text{MgCO}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in the presence of H_2O . Also synth. by vacuum dist. at 90° of NH_3 from a soln. contg. $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{CO}_3$, NH_4OH and MgCl_2

Physical Description: Cryst.

Other Data: Struct. based on a 3-D framework of MgO_6 octahedra and triangular carbonate ions

>>Derivative: Pentahydrate

Synonym(s): Tetrakis[carbonato(2-)]dihydroxypentamagnesium pentahydrate. Pentamagnesium tetracarbonate dihydroxide pentahydrate

CAS Registry Number: 56378-72-4

Extra CAS Registry Numbers(s): 12417-94-6 12544-02-4

Molecular Formula: $\text{C}_4\text{H}_{12}\text{Mg}_5\text{O}_{19}$

Molecular Weight: 485.652

Accurate Mass: 483.922495

Percentage Composition: C 9.89%; H 2.49%; Mg 25.02%; O 62.59%

Source/Synthesis: Synth. from water-sol. Mg salt and carbonate in static aq. medium at 40° . Occurs in nature as the minerals *dypingite* and *giorgiosite*

Use/Importance: Used in smoke suppressors

Aldrich: 22766-8

Sigma: M0125

References:

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