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Abbreviations

ACS	American Chemical Society	mg	milligram
atm	atmosphere	mg/m ³	milligrams per cubic meter
ASTM	American Society for Testing	μ Ci/mL	microcuries per milliliter
	and Materials	μ g/m ³	micrograms per cubic meter
autoign temp	autoignition temperature	min	minimum, minute
aw	atomic weight	<i>m</i> -	meta
bp	boiling point	mm	millimeter
Btu	British thermal unit	mp	melting point
C	degrees centigrade (Celsius)	mw, Mw	molecular weight
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service	NF, N.F.	National Formulary grade of
	Registry Number		chemical
cc	cubic centimeter	NIOSH	National Institute for
CC	closed cup		Occupational Safety and
Ci	Curie		Health
CI, C.I.	"Color Index" (A standard	nm	nanometers
	British publication giving	0-	ortho
	official numerical designations	OC	open cup
	to colorants.)	OSHA	U.S. Occupational Safety and
CL	ceiling level		Health Administration
СР	chemically pure: A grade	<i>p</i> -	para
	designation signifying a	ppb	parts per billion
	minimum of impurities, but	ppm	parts per million
cP	not 100% purity. centipoise	psi(a)	pounds per square inch (absolute)
COC	Cleveland open cup	%	percent
cu	cubic	refr	refractive
d D	density	sec	second
DOT	U.S. Department of	sp vol	specific volume
	Transportation	TCC	Tagliabue closed cup
e.g.	for example	TLV	Threshold Limit Value
F	degrees Fahrenheit	TM	trademark
FCC	"Food Chemical Codex"	тос	Tagliabue open cup
FDA	U.S. Food and Drug	USAN	United States Adopted Name
	Administration	USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
flash p	flash point	USP	United States Pharmacopeia
fp	freezing point	UV	ultraviolet
ft	feet	vap d	vapor density
FTC	U.S. Federal Trade Commission	vap press	vapor pressure
g	gram	wt/gal	weight per gallon
gal	gallon	_	
g/L	grams per liter		Greek Letters
g/mL	grams per milliliter	α	alpha
H ₂ O	water	ß	heta
Hg	mercury	γ	gamma
hr	hour	Å	delta
i.e.	that is	u	mu
L, 1	liter	Σ	sigma
lb	pound	Ω	omega

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- NH₂COCH₂CH(NH₂)COOH. The β amide of aspartic acid, a nonessential amino acid, existing in the D(+)- and L(-)-isomeric forms as well as the DL-racemic mixture. L(-)-asparagine is the most common form.
- **Properties:** L(-)-Asparagine monohydrate: White crystals. Mp 234–235C. Acid to litmus. Nearly insoluble in ethanol, methanol, ether, and benzene; soluble in acids and alkalies.
- **Derivation:** Widely distributed in plants and animals both free and combined with proteins.
- Use: Biochemical research, preparation of culture media, medicine.

asparaginic acid. See aspartic acid.

"Aspartame." [Nutrasweet]. $C_{14}H_{18}N_2O_5$. TM for a synthetic nonnutritive sweetener approved by FDA for tabletop use and as a packaged food additive. The U.S., Canada, and South Africa permit its use in carbonated beverages. A combination of aspartic acid and L-phenylalanine, it is said to be 200 times sweeter than sugar.

See sweetener, nonnutritive.

aspartamic acid. See asparagine.

aspartamide. See asparagine.

aspartic acid. (asparaginic acid; asparagic acid; aminosuccinic acid). COOHCH₂CH(NH₂)COOH. A naturally occurring nonessential amino acid. The common form is L(+)-aspartic acid.

HO₂CCH₂CHCO₂H

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Properties: Colorless crystals. Soluble in water; insoluble in alcohol and ether. Optically active. DLaspartic acid. Mp 278–280C (decomposes), d 1.663 (12/12C). L(+)-aspartic acid. Mp 251C. D(-)-aspartic acid. Mp 269–271C (decomposes), d 1.6613. **Source:** Young sugar cane, sugar beet molasses.

Derivation: Hydrolysis of asparagine, reaction of ammonia with diethyl fumarate.

Use: Biological and clinical studies, preparation of culture media, organic intermediate, ingredient of aspartame, detergents, fungicides, germicides, metal complexation. Available commercially as D/(-)-, L(+)-, and DL-aspartic acid.

aspartocin. USAN for antibiotic produced by *Streptomyces griseus*.

- **aspergillic** acid. (2-hydroxy-3-isobutyl-6-(1methylpropyl)pyrazine-1-oxide). $C_{12}H_{20}N_2O_2$. An antibiotic from strains of *Aspergillus flavus*.
- **Properties:** Yellow crystals. Mp 97C. Insoluble in cold water; soluble in common organic solvents and dilute acids. Hydrochloride melts at 178C and is soluble in water. Use: Antibiotic.

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- **Aspergillus.** A genus of small molds and fungi used in industry to ferment carbohydrates for producing citric and other organic acids.
- **ASPET.** See American Society of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics.
- **asphalt.** (petroleum asphalt; Trinidad pitch; mineral pitch).

CAS: 8052-42-4. A dark-brown to black cementitious material, solid or semisolid in consistency, in which the predominating constituents are bitumens that occur in nature as such or are obtained as residua in petroleum refining (ASTM). It is a mixture of paraffinic and aromatic hydrocarbons and heterocyclic compounds containing sulfur, nitrogen, and oxygen.

Properties: Black solid or viscous liquid. D approximately 1.0. Soluble in carbon disulfide. Flash p 450F (132C), autoign temp 900F (482C), solid softens to viscous liquid at approximately 93C, penetration value (paving) 40–300, (roofing) 10–40. Good electrical resistivity. Combustible.

Occurrence: California, Trinidad, Venezuela, Cuba, Canada (Athabasca tar sands).

Hazard: Toxic by inhalation of fume. TLV: (fume) 5 mg/m³.

Use: Paving and road-coating, roofing, sealing and joint filling, special paints, adhesive in electrical laminates and hot-melt compositions, diluent in low-grade rubber products, fluid loss control in hydraulic fracturing of oil wells, medium for radioactive waste disposal, pipeline and underground cable coating, rust-preventive hot-dip coatings, base for synthetic turf, water-retaining barrier for sandy soils, supporter of rapid bacterial growth in converting petroleum components to protein.

See bacteria; protein; oil sands.

asphalt (blown). (mineral rubber; oxidized asphalt; hard hydrocarbon).

- **Properties:** Black, friable solid obtained by blowing air at high temperature through petroleum-derived asphalt with subsequent cooling. Penetration value 10–40, softening point 85 to 121C. Combustible.
- Use: Primarily roofing, as diluent in low-grade rubber products and as thickener in oil-based drilling fluids.
- **asphalt (cut-back).** A liquid petroleum product produced by fluxing an asphaltic base with suitable distillates. (ASTM).

Properties: Flash p 50F(10C) (OC).

Grade: Solution of residue from distillation in carbon tetrachloride, 99.5%.

Hazard: Flammable, dangerous fire hazard.

Use: Road surfaces.

asphaltene. A component of the bitumen in petroleums, petroleum products, malthas, asphalt ce-