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# **DL-Serine**

### INTRODUCTION

DL-Serine is a racemic mixture of both the D- and L-forms of the amino acid serine, which is a polar, nonessential amino acid. It is an  $\alpha$ -amino acid characterized by its hydroxyl-containing side chain, which enables it to take part in numerous biochemical reactions and synthetic processes. It functions as a pivotal intermediate in the biosynthesis of amino acids, including glycine and cysteine, underscoring its essential role in cellular metabolism. Moreover, it constitutes a critical pharmaceutical intermediate for the synthesis of a broad spectrum of therapeutic agents and drug candidates.

#### Manufacture

It is manufactured via microbial fermentation, typically using corn-derived glucose as the primary carbon source. During fermentation, selected microbial strains convert carbohydrates into L-Serine through enzymatic pathways followed by isolation, purification, and racemization steps to yield DL-Serine.

This biotechnological route offers a sustainable and vegancompatible alternative to traditional chemical synthesis.

Synonyms	2-acetamido-3-hydroxypropanoic acid	
CAS no.	302-84-1	
EINECS no.	206-130-6	
Molecular formula	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>7</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>	
Molecular weight	105.09	
Structure	HO OH NH <sub>2</sub>	

### **Applications**

DL-Serine finds extensive applications across the pharmaceutical, nutraceutical, cosmetics and chemical industries.

#### Pharmaceutical Intermediates

- Used as a starting material or intermediate in the synthesis of various amino acids, peptides.
- In manufacture of compounds such as glycine, cysteine, and other biologically active molecules.
- Serves as a building block in the preparation of chiral drugs and intermediates.

#### Mutraceuticals & Dietary Supplements

- Functions as a nutritional additive in specific formulations aimed at supporting amino acid balance.
- In food fortification.

#### **♦ Chemical & Biochemical Research**

- Widely used as a research reagent and biochemical standard in laboratories.
- Serves as a precursor for various synthetic reactions.

#### **Y** Cosmetic & Personal Care Applications

Used in skin-care formulations as a conditioning or hydrating agent due to its amino acid properties.



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## **SPECIFICATIONS**

Test	Unit	Specification
Appearance	-	White crystals or crystalline powder
Identification (By HPLC)	-	Retention time should correspond to WRS under assay test
State of solution	%	NLT 98.0
Loss on drying	%	NMT 0.3
Residue on ignition (Sulfated)	%	NMT 0.10
Chloride (CI)	%	NMT 0.020
Ammonium (NH4)	%	NMT 0.02
Sulfate (SO4)	%	NMT 0.02
Heavy metals (Pb)	ppm	NMT 10
Iron (Fe)	ppm	NMT 10
Arsenic (As2O3)	ppm	NMT 1
Assay	%	99.0 – 101.0

### **STORAGE & PRECAUTION**

Store at ambient conditions

### **PACKING**

25 kg drum

#### **REACH Status**

Not registered

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