

# MInChI

*a chemical notation for mixtures*

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# Mixtures notation project goals

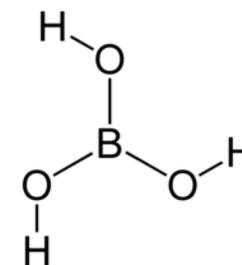
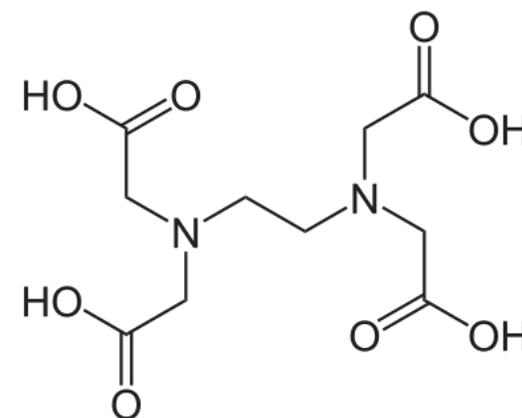
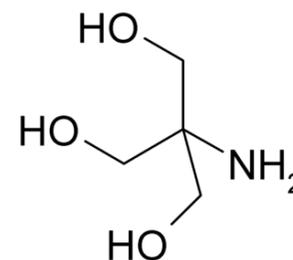
- Develop an unambiguous linear notation for mixed substances that can be hashable and resolvable to unique components
- Articulate what can be said, definitively and in an actionable way, what is known about the chemical composition of a given mixed substance
- Support the practical need to connect data and information on mixtures and individual components
- Support further computation and analysis on properties, composition, etc.

# Composition information components

Based on the declared composition at the point of reference:

- Constituent compounds (use standard InChIs)
- Stated concentrations of the constituents
- Other possible relationships, e.g. order, role
- (Other recipe conditions)

➤ Use the RInChI code base, an algorithm for concatenating component InChIs and grouping relationships



# Multi-component system notation

1.7M t-Butyllithium in Pentane:

**MInChI=0.00.1S/  
C4H9.Li/c1-4(2)3;/h1-3H3;/q-1;+1  
&  
C5H12/c1-3-5-4-2/h3-5H2,1-2H3&  
/n{1&2}  
/g{17mr-1&}**

37% wt. Formaldehyde in Water  
with 10-15% Methanol:

**MInChI=0.00.1S/  
CH2O/c1-2/h1H2&  
CH4O/c1-2/h2H,1H3&  
H2O/h1H2  
/n{1&2&3}  
/g{37wf-2&10-15vf-2&}**

- alphabetical order of components
- **"/n"** indexes components (e.g., order)
- **"&"** separates components
- **"/g"** concentration (symbols detailed separately)
- **"{"** mixture groups (e.g., nested)

# Indexing hierarchy

25:24:1 (v/v) Phenol:Chloroform:Isoamyl Alcohol  
with 10mM Tris, pH 8.0, and 1 mM EDTA:

**MInChI=0.00.1S/**

**[component InChIs]**

**/n{{1&3&4}&{2&6}&{5&6}}**

**/g{{24vp&1vp&25vp}&{1mr-3&}pH8.0&{1mr-2&}}**

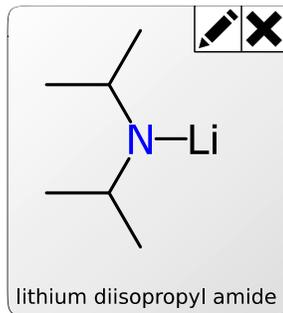
# Depicting concentration

<b>Notation</b>	<b>Concentration type</b>	<b>Units</b>
mr	Molarity	mol/L (mol/m <sup>3</sup> )
mb	Molality	mol/kg
wv	Weight per Volume	mg/L
wf	Mass Fraction	wt./total wt.
vf	Volume Fraction	vol./total vol.
vp	Volume Proportion	v:v:v
mf	Mole Fraction	mol/total mol
pH	pH	pH

## **Rules for values expression:**

1. scientific notation  
(no percentage signs or ppm)
2. exponent default 0 =  $10^0 = 1$
3. default NTP
4. min/max values

Desired specificity can be determined downstream to meet local needs.



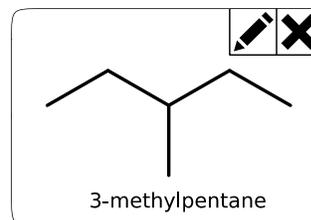
1.0M lithium diisopropyl  
amide in THF/hexanes

solvent

1/8th

hexanes

7/8th



# Generating data...

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1.0 M lithium diisopropyl  
amide in THF/hexanes :

MInChI=0.00.1S/

C4H8O/c1-2-4-5-3-1/h1-  
4H2&

C6H12/c1-6-4-2-3-5-6/h6H,2-  
5H2,1H3&

C6H14/c1-3-5-6-4-2/h3-  
6H2,1-2H3&

C6H14/c1-4-5-6(2)3/h6H,4-  
5H2,1-3H3&

C6H14/c1-4-6(3)5-2/h6H,4-  
5H2,1-3H3&

C6H14N.Li/c1-5(2)7-  
6(3)4;/h5-6H,1-4H3;/q-1;+1

/n{6&{1&{2&3&4&5&nc}}

/g{1mr&{1vp&{1-2vf-1&5-  
7vf-1&1-5vf-2&1-5vf-2&}

7vp}}

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"mixture": "1.0 M lithium diisopropyl amide in THF/hexanes",
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"contents":
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    "units": "mol/L"
  },
  {
```

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    "contents":
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[
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    },
    {
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      "units": "v:v",
      "contents":
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[
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      "smiles": "CCCCCC",
      "molfile": "...",
      "concentration_type": "volume fraction",
      "quantity": [5X10^-1,7X10^-1]
      "units": "v/v"
    },
    {
```

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  },
]
```

## Minimum Information

### Requirements:

- Constituent InChIs
- Min/Max quantity values
- Units
- (Concentration type)

Formatting input  
JSON, SDF, others?

# Embracing ambiguity

- Concentration ranges, as discussed
- Enantiomers, mixture of absolute stereo with each /m flag
- Tautomers, use 'n' layer to indicate >1 'copies'
- Ambiguous connectivity, e.g. positional isomers
  - Can accommodate characterized forms (e.g., Xylenes)
  - Need an approach to manage uncharacterized isomers...
- Ambiguous chemistry, i.e. not molecularly characterized
  - Often some type of natural product – “Jojoba Oil”
  - Consider some type of generic notation, e.g. 'nc'
- Possible unspecified components, e.g. impurities
  - Do not notate



```
MInChI=0.0.1S/C2H6ClNO/c1-2(3,4)5/h5H,4H2,1H3/t2-/m0/s1  
&  
C2H6ClNO/c1-2(3,4)5/h5H,4H2,1H3/t2/m1/s1  
/n{1&2}
```



```
MInChI=0.00.1S/C4H3ClN2O/c5-3-1-6-2-4(8)7-3/h1-2H,(H,7,8)  
/n{1&1}
```

# Hashing & searching

- MInChIKeys
  - Long-MInChIKey
    - Consists of the InChIKeys of each of the components
  - Short-MInChIKey
    - Fixed length representation of MInChI
    - First portion is hash of all components
- Parsing components enables such uses as:
  - Barcode to MInChI can resolve to components then associated w/ hazards
  - Confirm same/qualified similar entities notebook to notebook:  
a/components, b/ratios

# MInChI Break-Out, Thurs 10:30am, Track 1

## Project Team

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