

MAKING GOOD'S BUFFERS GOOD FOR FREEZING: THE ACIDITY CHANGES AND THEIR ELIMINATION VIA MIXING WITH SODIUM PHOSPHATE [1]

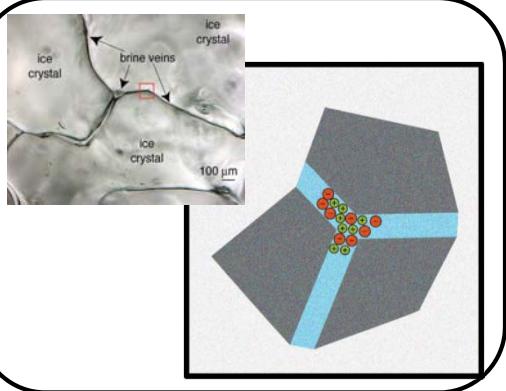
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Introduction: Freezing of (bio)chemicals often leads to deviations from the optimum pH which cause compound's degradation, e.g., protein aggregation^[2]. So, we would like to present a straightforward and efficient approaches to reduce the freezing-induced acidity changes by blending two different buffers which are commonly used for biological samples. This approach can be highly helpful in both the pharmaceutical domain and those branches of science where freezing is the preferred method for long-term preservation.

A. Freeze concentrate solution

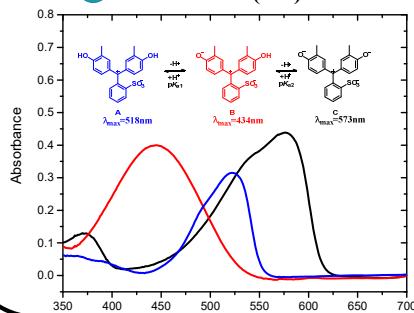


How we measure the pH Change?

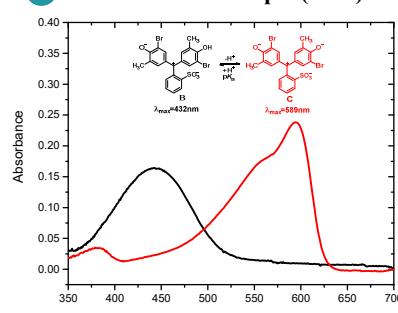
Molecular Probes for H₂-

$$H_2- = pK_{a,Ind} + \log \frac{c_{Ind^x}}{c_{HInd^{x+1}}}$$

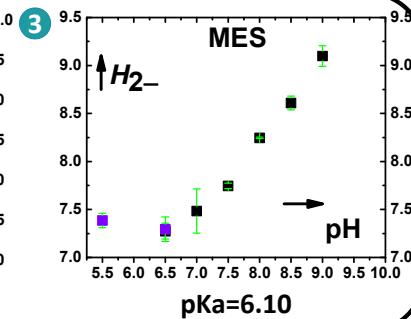
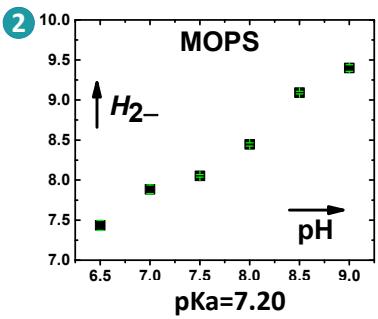
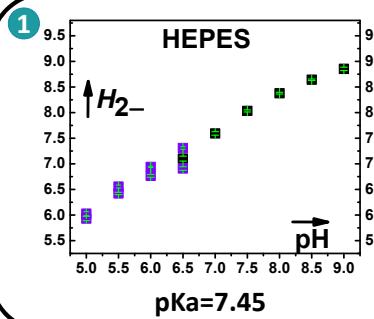
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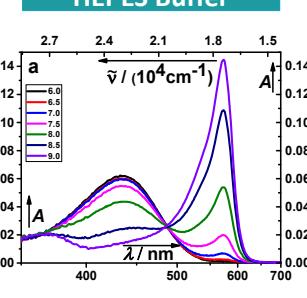
2 Bromocresol Purple (BCP)



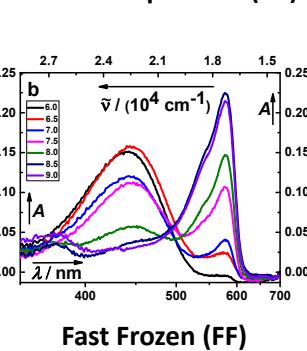
B. Freezing-induced acidity changes in Good's Buffers^[1]



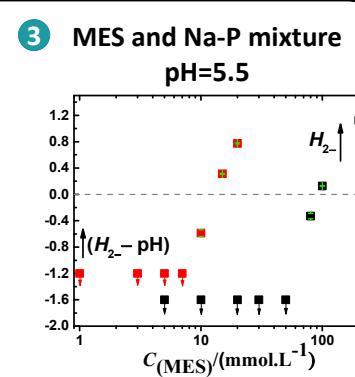
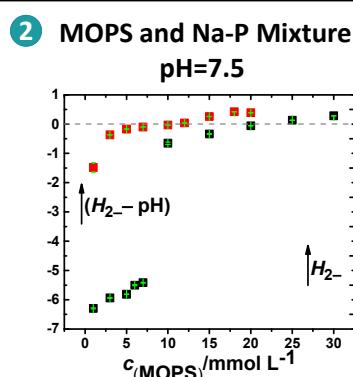
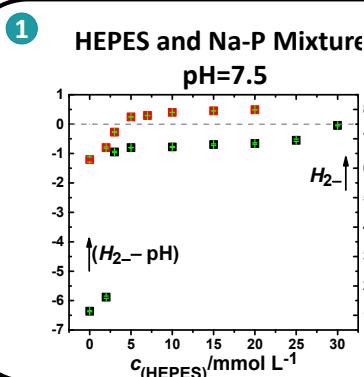
UV-Vis Spectra of HEPES Buffer



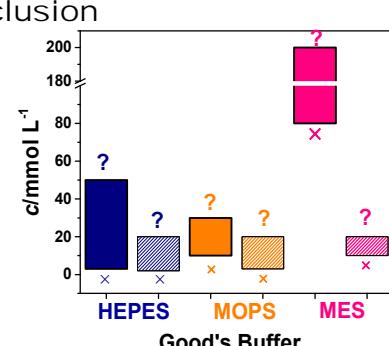
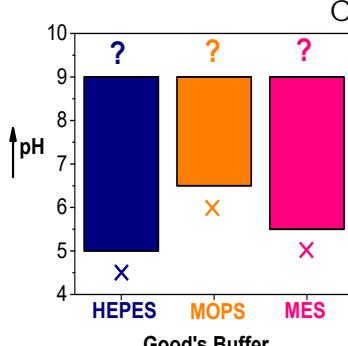
b Fast Frozen (FF)



C. What happens when we Mix Good's Buffers with Sodium Phosphate Buffer?



Conclusion



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