

AMBERSEP™ M4195 and AMBERSEP™ M4195 UPS Chelating Resins

Industrial-grade Chelants for Copper, Nickel, and Cobalt Processing

Description

AMBERSEP™ M4195 and AMBERSEP™ M4195 UPS Chelating Resins exhibit an optimal selectivity for capturing transition metal ions (for example, copper and nickel) from solutions with pH less than 2, or in the presence of homogeneous chelating agents such as EDTA. The chemistry of these chelants is based upon a special multi-dentate amine ligand which is partially quaternized by sulfuric acid. When in this conjugate sulfuric acid salt form, the resin—fully swollen and hydrated—is ready for scavenging metals from acidic media.

Most metal process streams requiring separation and purification can typically be treated with standard iminodiacetic acid or aminophosphonic chelating resins. However, the more complex, challenging electrolytes require the higher selectivity of AMBERSEP™ M4195 or AMBERSEP™ M4195 UPS.

AMBERSEP™ M4195 Chelating Resin, with its screened particle size (through 20 U.S. Mesh, on 50 U.S. Mesh), is the standard grade of this product.

AMBERSEP™ M4195 UPS Chelating Resin, with its uniform particle size, provides enhanced performance for continuous ion exchange systems.

Applications

- Electroplating
- Microelectronic etching solutions
- Cobalt electrolyte purification
- Copper/nickel recovery from nickel laterite
- Copper/nickel recovery from raffinates

Typical Properties

Physical Properties		
Copolymer	Styrene-divinylbenzene	
Matrix	Macroporous	
Type	Chelant	
Functional Group	Bis-Picolylamine	
Physical Form	Tan to dark brown to dark green, opaque, spherical beads	
	AMBERSEP™ M4195	AMBERSEP™ M4195 UPS
Chemical Properties		
Ionic Form as Shipped	Weak base/Partial H ₂ SO ₄ salt	Weak base/Partial H ₂ SO ₄ salt
Copper Loading [‡]	≥ 35 g/L	≥ 35 g/L
Water Retention Capacity	40 – 60%	40 – 60%
Particle Size [§]		
Particle Diameter	297 – 841 µm	~ 410 µm
< 300 µm	≤ 1%	
> 1180 µm	≤ 3%	
Density		
Shipping Weight	670 g/L	670 g/L

[‡] 6 g Cu/L feed, pH 2

[§] For additional particle size information, please refer to the [Particle Size Distribution Cross Reference Chart](#) (Form No. 177-01775).

Application Information

Relative loading values of various metals for AMBERSEP™ M4195 and AMBERSEP™ M4195 UPS Chelating Resins are shown in Figure 1, and selected values of the same are shown in Table 1. The resin exhibits an extremely strong affinity for copper, even at low pH, whereas other metals have higher loading values at higher pH.

Complexed metals can be removed with strong acid (10N H₂SO₄) or ammonium hydroxide. Sometimes selective elution can be accomplished using varying strengths of acid.

Figure 1: Selectivity vs. pH

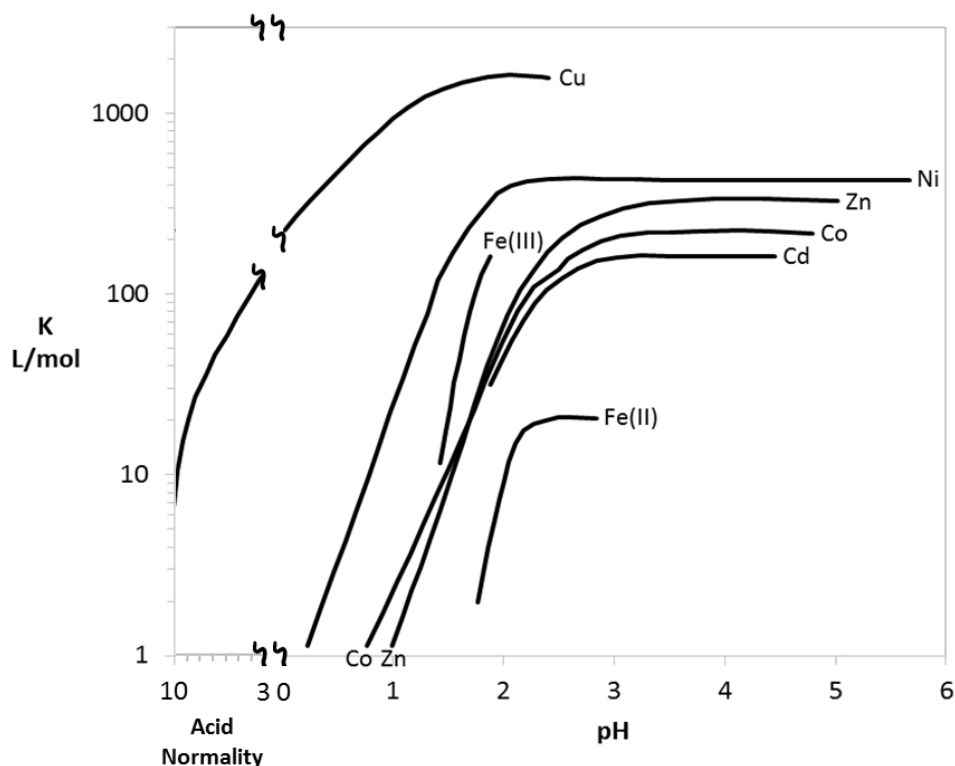


Table 1: Conditional absorption constants (K) for AMBERSEP™ M4195 and AMBERSEP™ M4195 UPS Chelating Resins

Metal Ion	pH	K (L/mol)
Cu ²⁺	2.0	1280
Ni ²⁺	2.0	375
U ⁶⁺	2.0	190
Fe ³⁺	2.0	181
Zn ²⁺	2.0	82
	2.7	184
Co ²⁺	2.0	51
	3.2	280
Cd ²⁺	2.0	43
	2.8	196
Fe ²⁺	2.3	23

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