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Refractive index list

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Acanthite (Silver Sulphide)	Ag ₂ S	2.2
Acetal		1.48
Acetone		1.36
Adipic Acid	(CH ₂ .CH ₂ .COOH) ₂	1.433
Agate	SiO ₂	1.544 - 1.553
Albite	Na ₂ O.Al ₂ O ₃ .6SiO ₂	1.529
Albite (Feldspar)	NaAlSi ₃ O ₈	1.527 - 1.538
Almandine (Garnet)		1.830
Alumina	Al ₂ O ₃	1.760
Alumina trihydrate	Al ₂ O ₃ .3H ₂ O	1.577-1.595
Aluminium Hydroxide (Nat. Boehmite)	Al(OH) ₃ AlO(OH)	1.56 - 1.75 1.64 - 1.67
Aluminium Oxide (Corundum)	Al ₂ O ₃	1.76 - 1.768 1.765
Aluminium Silicate	Al ₂ O ₃ .SiO ₂	1.65
Aluminium Stearate	Al(C ₁₈ H ₃₅ O ₂) ₃	1.49
Aluminum Sulphate	Al ₂ (SO ₄) ₃	1.47
Ammonium Chloride	NH ₄ Cl	1.642
Ammonium Sulphate	NH ₄ SO ₄	1.523
Ammonium Dihydrogen Phosphate	(NH ₄)H ₂ P ₂ O ₆	1.52
Anatase (Titanium Dioxide)	TiO ₂	2.49 - 2.56
Andesine (Feldspar)	([NaSi]0.7-0.5 [CaAl]0.3-0.5)AlSi ₂ O ₈	1.544 - 1.563

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Andradite (Garnet)		1.887
Anglesitte (Lead Sulphate)	PbSO ₄	1.8771 - 1.8937
Anhydrite (Calcium Sulphate)	CaSO ₄	1.5698 - 1.6136
Anhydrite (Gypsum)	CaSO ₄ ·2H ₂ O	1.57 - 1.61
Anhydrous Borax	Na ₂ O·2B ₂ O ₃	1.501
Anorthite (Feldspar)	CaAl ₂ Si ₂ O ₈	1.577 - 1.590
Anorthoclase (Feldspar)	(Na,K)AlSi ₃ O ₈	1.523 - 1.529
Antimony Trioxide (Nat. Semarnontite) (Nat. Valentine)	Sb ₂ O ₃	2.087 2.18 - 2.35
Antimony Vermilion	Sb ₂ S ₃	2.65
Aragonite (Calcium Carbonate)	CaCO ₃	1.530 - 1.686
Arsenic Sulphur Glass		2.61
Arsenous Oxide	As ₂ O ₃	1.76 (V) 1.92 (I)
Asphaltum (Bitumen)		1.64 - 1.66
Azurite	2CuCO ₃ ·Cu(OH) ₂	1.73 - 1.83
Baddeleyite (Zirconium Oxide)	ZrO ₂	2.13 - 2.20
Barite (Barytes)	BaSO ₄	1.6362 - 1.6482
Barium Carbonate (Witherite)	BaCO ₃	1.529 - 1.677
Barium Chloride	BaCl ₂ ·2H ₂ O	1.642
Barium Crown Glass (Light) (Medium) (Dense)		1.54065 1.576 1.613
Barium Fluoride	BaF ₂	1.47
Barium Oxide	BaO	1.98
Barium Sulphate (Barite, Barytes)	BaSO ₄	1.637 - 1.649
Barium Mono-sulphide	BaS	2.155
Barium Titanate	BaTiO ₃	2.40
Barium Yellow	BaCrO ₄	1.94 - 1.98
Barytes (Barite, Blanc Fixe)	BaSO ₄	1.636 - 1.649
Benzene	C ₆ H ₆	1.50

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Benzyl Alcohol	$C_6H_5CH_2OH$	1.538-1.541
Benzyl Benzoate		1.568-1.570
Beryllium Oxide	BeO	1.719
Biotite (Mica)	$K(Mg,Fe)_3 AlSi_3O_{10}(OH,F)_2$	1.565 - 1.696
Bitumen		1.6500
Black Pigments		1.675 (average)
Blanc Fixe (Artificial Barytes)	$BaSO_4$	1.638 - 1.649
Blue Pigments		1.63 (average)
Boehmite	$AlO(OH)$	1.64 - 1.67
Bone Black	$C + Ca_3(PO_4)_2$	1.65 - 1.70
Boracic Acid	$B_2O_3 \cdot 3H_2O$	1.456
Borax	$Na_2B_4O_7$	1.4466 - 1.4687
Borax	$Na_2O \cdot 2B_2O_3 \cdot 10H_2O$	1.469
Boric Oxide	B_2O_3	1.459
Boro-silicate Crown Glass (Soda lime glass)		1.50970 1.513
Boron Oxide	B_2O_3	1.61-1.64
Boron Oxide Glass	B_2O_3	1.485
Brick Dust		1.44
Brookite (Titanium Dioxide)	TiO_2	2.5831 - 2.7004
Brown Pigments		1.653 (average)
N-butanol	$CH_3CH_2CH_2CH_2OH$	1.3993
Butanone	$CH_3CH_2COCH_3$	1.38
Butter Fat		1.4548
Cadmium Iodide	CdI_2	2.7
Calcium Metaborate	$Ca(BO_2)_2$	1.660
Cadmium Oxide	CdO	1.49
Cadmium Red	$CdS(Se)$	2.64 - 2.77
Cadmium Red Lithopone	$CdS(Se) + BaSO_4$	2.50 - 2.76
Cadmium Sulfide (Greenockite)	CaS	2.506 - 2.529
Cadmium Yellow	CdS	2.35 - 2.48
Cadmium Yellow Lithopone	$CdS + BaSO_4$	2.39 - 2.40

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Calcite (Calcium Carbonate)	CaCO ₃	1.486 - 1.740
Calcium Carbide	CaC ₂	1.750
Calcium Carbonate	CaCO ₃	1.681 (IV)
Calcium Carbonate (Aragonite)	CaCO ₃	1.53 - 1.685
(Nat. Calcite)		1.4864 - 1.74
(Nat. Vaterite)		1.55 - 1.65
Calcium Carbonate Hexahydrate	CaCO ₃ .6H ₂ O	1.460 - 1.545
Calcium Chloride	CaCl ₂	1.52
Calcium Chlorite	Ca(ClO) ₂ .2Ca(OH) ₂	1.51 - 1.585
Calcium Fluoride (Fluorite)	CaF ₂	1.43 - 1.44
Calcium Hydroxide (Hydrated Lime)	Ca(OH) ₂	1.545 - 1.574
Calcium Hypochlorite	Ca(ClO) ₂	1.545 - 1.69
Calcium Hypochlorite Tri-hydrate	Ca(ClO) ₂ .3H ₂ O	1.535 - 1.63
Calcium Magnesium Carbonate (Dolomite)	CaCO ₃ , MgCO ₃	1.5026-1.6817
Calcium Metasilicate (a)	CaSiO ₃	1.6350
Calcium Metasilicate (b) (Nat. Wollastonite)	CaSiO ₃	1.6145
Calcium Molybdate (Pawellite)	CaMoO ₄	1.97
Calcium Oxide (lime) (Calcia)	CaO	1.838
Calcium Peroxide	CaO ₂	1.895
Calcium Phosphate	Ca ₃ (PO ₄) ₂	1.629
(tri) Calcium Phosphate	Ca ₃ (PO ₄) ₂	1.627
Calcium Meta Silicate (a) (Nat. Pseudowollastonite)	CaSiO ₃	1.610 - 1.664
Calcium Meta Silicate (b) (Wollastonite)	CaSiO ₃	1.616 - 1.613
Calcium Di-ortho Silicate I	Ca ₂ SiO ₄	1.717 - 1.735
Calcium Di-ortho Silicate li	Ca ₂ SiO ₄	1.717 - 1.735
Calcium Di-ortho Silicate lii	Ca ₂ SiO ₄	1.642 - 1.654
Calcium Tri-silicate (Nat. Alite)	Ca ₃ SiO ₅ or 3Ca.SiO ₂	α 1.718 - β 1.724

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Calcium Sulphate (Nat. Anhydrite)	$\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.569 - 1.613
(Nat. Gypsum)	$\text{CaSO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.521 - 1.53
Calcium Sulphide (Nat. Oldhamite)	CaS	2.137
Calcium Titanate	CaTiO_3	1.57
Calcium Tungstate	CaWO_4	1.9185
Caraway Oil		1.485-1.492
Carbon (Lamp Black, Graphite)	C	2.42
Carbon Tetrachloride / Tetrachloromethane	CCl_4	1.46
Cardamom Oil		1.461-1.467
Castor Oil		1.4770
Castrol		1.1000
Cellulose Acetate		1.46-1.5
Cellulose Acetate Butpate		1.46-1.49
Cement		1.68 (average)
Cerium Compounds		1.8282
Cerium (iii) Orthophosphate (nat. Monazite)	CePO_4	1.774-1.851
Cerulean Blue	$\text{CoO} \cdot \eta\text{SnO}_2$	1.84
Cerussite	PbCO_3	1.804 - 2.079
Chalk (Whiting)	CaCO_3 See Calcium Carbonate	1.53 - 1.68
Chalcedony (Fibrous, Impure Quartz)	SiO_2	1.544- 1.553
Chazabite		1.482
China Clay (Kaolinite)	$\text{Al}_4\text{Si}_4\text{O}_{10}(\text{OH})_8$	1.533 - 1.577
Chloroform	CHCl_3	1.446
Chocolate		1.5900
Chrome Alum	$\text{Cr}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot \text{K}_2\text{SO}_4 \cdot 24\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.481
Chrome Orange	$\text{PbCrO}_4 \cdot \text{Pb}(\text{OH})_2$	2.42 - 2.7
Chrome Green (med.)	$\text{Fe}_4[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]_3 + \text{PbCrO}_4$	2.4
Chrome Yellow (med.)	PbCrO_4	2.31 - 2.49
Chromic Oxide	Cr_2O_3	2.551

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Chromium	Cr	3.51
Chromium Oxide Green	Cr ₂ O ₃	2.5
Cigarette Ash		1.53
Cinnamon Oil		1.573-1.600
Clofibrate		1.500-1.505
Clove Oil		1.528-1.537
Coconut Oil		1.448-1.450
Cobalt Blue	CoO.Al ₂ O ₃	1.74
Cobalt Carbonate (Nat. Sphero-cobaltite)	CoCO ₃	1.60 - 1.855
Cobalt li Per-chlorate	Co(ClO ₄) ₂ .6H ₂ O	1.55
Cobalt li Per-chlorate (Needles)	Co(ClO ₄) ₂	1.490 - 1.51
Cobalt li Chloride Di-hydrate	CoCl ₂ .2H ₂ O	1.625 - 1.67
Cobalt Fluosilicate	CoSiF ₆ .6H ₂ O	1.382 - 1.387
Cobalt Green	CoO.πZnO	1.94 - 2.0
Cobalt Yellow	CoK ₃ (NO ₂) ₆ .H ₂ O	1.72 - 1.76
Cobalt II Oxide	CoO	1.74
Cobalt Violet	Co ₃ (PO ₄) ₂	1.65 - 1.81
Cocoa Butter		1.4568
Cobaltous Nitrate	Co(NO ₃) ₂ .6H ₂ O	1.4
Cobaltus Sulphate	CoSO ₄ .7H ₂ O	1.483
Coconut Oil		1.4493
Cod-liver Oil		1.481
Coffee Dust		1.53
Copper	Cu	0.25
Copper II Carbonate (Nat. Malachite)	CaCO ₃ .Cu(OH) ₂	1.655 - 1.909
(Nat. Azurite, Chessylite)	2CaCO ₃ .Cu(OH) ₂	1.730 - 1.838
Copper I Chloride (Nantokite)	CuCl	1.93
Copper II Chloride Di-hydrate	CuCl ₂ .2H ₂ O	1.644 - 1.731
Copper I Oxide (Cuprite)	Cu ₂ O	2.705
Copper II Oxide (Tenorite)	CuO	2.63
Copper III Oxide		1.93

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Copper I Sulphate (powder)	Cu_2SO_4	1.724 - 1.739
Copper II Sulphate (Nat. Hydrocyanite)	CuSO_4	1.733
Copper II Sulphate Basic (Nat. Brochantite)	$\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 3\text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2$	1.728 - 1.800
Copper II Sulphate Pentahydrate (Nat. Chalcantacite)	$(\text{CuSO}_4 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O})$	1.514 - 1.543
Copper II Sulphide (Nat. Covellite)	CuS	1.45
Coriander Oil		1.462-1.472
Cork Dust		1.49 - 1.65
Corn Oil (Zea Mays)		1.4734
Corundum (Ruby, Sapphire)	Al_2O_3	1.759 - 1.772
Cotton		1.459 - 1.58
Cotton Seed Oil		1.4735
Covellite (Copper II Sulphide)	CuS	1.45
Cristobalite (Quartz)	SiO_2	1.484 - 1.487
Crotamiton		1.540-1.542
Crown Glass (Soft)		1.51516
(Hard)		1.51899
Cryolite	$3\text{NaF} \cdot \text{AlF}_3$	1.339
Cupric Oxide	CuO	2.63
Cuprite (Copper I Oxide)	Cu_2O	2.705
Cuprous Oxide	Cu_2O	2.705
Cyclic Ketone Resin		1.60
Cyclohexane		1.4266
Cyclohexanone		1.45
Dandruff & Epithelial Cells		1.53
N - Decane	$\text{CH}_3, (\text{CH}_2)_8\text{CH}_3$	1.4102
Dementholised		1.456-1.466
Diglyme (Dimethyldigol or Diethylene Glycol Dimethylether)	$(\text{CH}_3, \text{O}, \text{CH}_2, \text{CH}_2)_2\text{O}$	1.4070-1.4085
Diamond	C	2.4175
Diatomaceous Earth (Silicon Dioxide)	SiO_2	1.435

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Dichloromethane		1.42
Diethyl Phthalate		1.500-1.505
Dimethyl Sulphoxide		1.478-1.479
Dill Oil		1.481-1.492
Dimer Caprol		1.568-1.574
Dimethylformamide		1.4305
Dolomite	$\text{CaCO}_3 \cdot \text{MgCO}_3$	1.5026-1.6817
Dover		1.4300
Eddingtonite		1.55
Egyptian Blue	$\text{CaO} \cdot \text{CuO} \cdot 0.4\text{SiO}_2$	1.605 - 1.635
E.K.2		1.74338
Emerald Green (Paris green)	$\text{Cu}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2)_2 \cdot 2\text{Cu}(\text{OH})_2$	1.71 - 1.78
Epithelial Cells (Dandruff)		1.53
Epoxy		1.58
Epsom Salt (Epsomite)	$\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.433 - 1.461
Ethanol	$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	1.36
Ethanediol	$\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	1.43
Ethanolamine	$\text{H}_2\text{NCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	1.453-1.459
Ethyl Cinnamate		1.558-1.560
Ethylene Glycol	$\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	1.432
Eucalyptus Oil		1.458-1.470
Feldspar		
(Albite)	$\text{NaAlSi}_3\text{O}_8$	1.527 - 1.538
(Andesine)	AlSi_2O_8	1.544 - 1.563
(Anorthite)	$\text{CaAl}_2\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$	1.577 - 1.590
(Anorthoclase)	$(\text{Na},\text{K})\text{AlSi}_3\text{O}_8$	1.523 - 1.529
(Microcline)	KAlSi_3O_8	1.514 - 1.539
(Oligoclase)	$([\text{Na},\text{Si}]_{0.9-0.7} [\text{CaAl}]_{0.1-0.3}) \text{AlSi}_2\text{O}_8$	1.533 - 1.552
(Orthoclase)	KAlSi_3O_8	1.518 - 1.539
Ferric Oxide	Fe_2O_3	3.01
Ferric Sulphate	$\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$	1.814
Ferroso - Ferric Oxide	Fe_3O_4	2.42

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Ferrous Carbonate	FeCO_3	1.875
Ferrous Oxide	FeO	2.32
Ferrous Sulphate (Copperas)	$\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.471
Flint	SiO_2	
(Impure Quartz)		1.553
(Telescope)		1.53042
(Barium)		1.60483
(Barium light)		1.56713
(Borate)		1.61326
(Special barium)		1.74416
(Extra light)		1.54769
Flint Glass		1.53 - 1.96
(Light)		1.57838
(Dense)		1.62258
(Extra dense)		1.65108
(Double extra dense)		1.80120
Flour Crown		1.49429
Fluorite (Fluorspar)	CaF_2	1.433 - 1.435
Fluorspar (Avarite)	CaF_2	1.433 - 1.435
Fractionated Coconut Oil		1.445-1.451
Fractionated Palm Kernel Oil		1.445-1.447
Furhairs		1.54 - 1.55
Fused Quartz		1.45887
Gallium Antimonide	GaS_6	3.8 (approximately)
Gallium Arsenide	GaAs	3.33 (approximately)
Gallium Phosphide	GaP	3.39
Garnet		1.779 (average)
(Almandine)		1.830
(Andradite)		1.887
(Grossularite)		1.734
(Hydrogrossularite)		1.675 - 1.734
(Pyro pe)		1.714
(Spessartite)		1.80
(Uvarovite)		1.86

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Glass		
(Hardcrown)		1.518
(Borosilicate crown)		1.509
(Medium barium crown)		1.576
(Dense barium crown)		1.613
(Light flint)		1.583
(Dense flint)		1.621
(Extra dense flint)		1.652
(Double extra dense flint)		1.802
Glass (crown)		1.48 - 1.61
Glass (flint)		1.53 - 1.96
Glasses & Mineral Wools		1.47 - 1.62
Glycerol		1.47
D-Glucose Pentaamethylether	$C_1H_{22}O_6$	1.4466
Glycine Soja (Soybean Oil)		1.4729
Gmelinite		1.481
Goethite	$Fe_2O_2 \cdot H_2O$	
(Ochre, Yellow)		2.0 - 2.4
(Sienna, Raw)		1.87 - 2.17
Gold	Au	0.28 - 0.31
Green Earth		1.62
Greenockite	CaS	2.506 - 2.529
Green Pigments		1.811 (average)
Grossularite (Garnet)		1.734
D-gulcitol (D-Sorbitol)		1.333
Gum		1.54
Gypsum	$CaSO_4 \cdot 2H_2O$	1.519 - 1.531
(Calcium Sulphate Dihydrate)		
Hafnium	Hf	3.64
Hair (human)		1.54 - 1.56
Halite (Rock Salt)	NaCl	1.544
Hardcrown Glass		1.518
Harmotome		1.5078
Hausmannite (Manganese Oxide)	Mn_3O_4	2.15 - 2.46
Helianthus (Annus)		1.4694
Hematite		

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
(Iron III Oxide)	Fe_2O_3	2.94 - 3.22
Heptane	C_7H_{16}	1.39
Herring Oil		1.4610
Heulandite		1.500
Hexane	C_6H_{14}	1.38
Hydroglossularite (Garnet)		1.675 - 1.734
Ibuprofen		1.4364
Iceland Spar (Calcite)	CaCO_3	1.658 - 1.486
Insect Parts		1.54 - 1.55
Illite (Clay Minerals)	$\text{K}(1-1.5)\text{Al}_4\text{SiAl}(1-1.5)\text{O}_2\text{O}(\text{OH})_4$	1.54 - 1.61
Indian Yellow	$\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_{11}\text{Mg}\cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.67
Indium Antimonide	InSb	4.3
Indium Phosphide	InP	3.42
Ink		1.5
Ink-orange		1.36
Intralipid		1.46
Iridium	Ir	2.53
Iron	Fe	2.86
Iron Oxide (Nat. Magnetite)	Fe_3O_4	2.42
Iron II Oxide (Nat. Wuestite)	FeO	2.32
Iron III Oxide (Nat. Hematite)	Fe_2O_3	2.94 - 3.22
Iron II Sulphate (Heptahydrate, Nat. Melanterite)	$\text{FeSO}_4\cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.471 - 1.486
(Pentahydrate, Nat. Siderotil)	$\text{FeSO}_4\cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.526 - 1.542
(Tetrahydrate)	$\text{FeSO}_4\cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.533 - 1.535
Iron III Sulphate (Enneahydrate, Nat. Coquimbite)	$\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$ $\text{Fe}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3\cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.814 1.552 - 1.558
Iron Sulphide (Nat. Marcasite, Pyrite, Pyrrhotite)	FeS_2	1.56
Iso - Octane	$(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{C}\cdot\text{CH}_2\cdot\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$	1.3914
Isopar G		1.42
Isopar M		1.436
Isoparaffin		1.429

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Isopropyl Alcohol	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CHOH}$	1.377-1.378
Isopropyl Myristate		1.434-1.437
Jojoba		1.465
Kalinite (Potassium Aluminium Sulphate)	$\text{KAl}(\text{SO}_4)_2 \cdot 12\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.429 - 1.456
Kaolinite (China Clay)	$\text{Al}_4 \text{Si}_4 \text{O}_{10} (\text{OH})_8$	1.533 - 1.570
Kieserite (Magnesium Sulphate)	$\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.52 - 1.58
Lactose	$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{22}\text{O}_{11} \cdot 1\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.54
Lanthunum Fluoride	LaF	1.60
Latex Rubber		1.51
Laumontite		1.5148
Lead	Pb	2.01
Lead Carbonate (Cerussite)	PbCO_3	1.8036 - 2.0786
Lead Chloride	PbCl_2	2.217
Lead Chromate (Crocoite)	PbCrO_4	2.29 - 2.66
Lead Dioxide	PbO_2	2.3
Lead Fluoride	PbF_2	1.75
Lead Glass (20% lead content)		1.54
Lead Molybdate (Nat. Wulfenite)	PbMoO_4	2.283 - 2.403
Lead Oxide (Litharge)	PbO	2.665 - 2.535
Lead Oxide (mono)	PbO	2.51-2.71
Lead Oxide (minim)	Pb_3O_4	2.51-2.71
Lead (red) (Lead Oxide Pigment)	PbO	2.420
Lead Sulphate (Anglesite)	PbSO_4	1.82 - 1.894
(Nat. Lanarkite)	$\text{PbSO}_4 \cdot \text{PbO}$	1.93 - 2.02
Lead Sulphide (Galena)	PbS	3.921
Lead (white) (Basic Carbonate)	$2\text{PbCO}_3 \cdot \text{Pb}(\text{OH})_2$	1.94 - 2.09
(Hydro-cerussite, Cerussite)	PbCO_3	1.804 - 2.078
Lead (white) (Basic Sulphate, Lanarkite)	$\text{PbSO}_4 \cdot \text{PbO}$	1.930 - 2.02
Leather Dust		1.54

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Lemon Oil		1.474-1.476
Lepidolite (Mica)	$K_2(Li,Al)_{5-6} Si_{6-7} Al_{2-2} O_{20} (OH,F)_4$	1.525 - 1.587
Levyn		1.498
Limonene (Opticlear)		1.470
Linseed Oil		1.4782
Liquid Paraffin (Light)		1.4680
Lithium Carbonate	Li_2CO_3	1.567
Lithium Fluoride	LiF	1.3915
Lithium Mica (Lepidolite)	$K_2(Li,Al)_{5-6} Si_{6-7} Al_{2-1} O_{20} (OH,F)_4$	1.525 - 1.587
Lithium Mica		1.554 - 1.587
Lithium Oxide	Li_2O	1.644
Lithopone (Zinc Sulphide a Nat. Wurtzite) (Zinc Sulphide b Nat. Sphalerite)	ZnS	2.356 - 2.378 2.368
Lodestone (Magnetite)	Fe_3O_4	2.420
Macrogol 300 (Polyethylene Glycol 300)		1.462-1.466
Magnesite (Magnesium Carbonate)	$MgCO_3$	1.563 - 1.7
Magnesium Carbonate (Magnesite)	$MgCO_3$	1.563 - 1.7
Magnesium Chloride	$MgCl_2 \cdot 6H_2O$	1.59-1.675
Magnesium Fluoride (Sellaite)	MgF_2	1.378 - 1.390
Magnesium Hydroxide	$Mg(OH)_2$	1.559-1.58
Magnesium Oxide (Periclase)	MgO	1.7350
Magnesium Sulphate Colourless, V	$MgSO_4 \cdot H_2O$	1.535
Magnesium Sulphate Colourless, IV, V	$MgSO_4 \cdot 7H_2O$	1.455
Magnesium Sulphate (Epsomite, Epsom Salt)	$MgSO_4$ $MgSO_4 \cdot 7H_2O$	1.56 1.433 - 1.461
Magnetite (Iron Oxide, Hematite)	Fe_3O_4	2.42
Malachite	$Cu_2 (OH)_2(CO_3)$	1.655 - 1.909
Manganese	Mn	2.52
Manganese Blue	$BaMnO_4 + BaSO_4$	1.65
Manganese Carbonate	$MnCO_3$	1.817

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Manganese Dioxide	MnO ₂	2.4
Manganese Oxide (Manganosite)	MnO	2.16
Manganese Oxide (OUS)	MnO	2.16
Manganese Oxide	Mn ₃ O ₄	2.46
Manganese Sulphate	MnSO ₄ ·4H ₂ O	1.508
Manganese Violet	(NH ₄) ₂ Mn ₂ (P ₂ O ₇) ₂	1.67 - 1.75
Marcasite (Iron Di-sulphide)	FeS ₂	1.87
Methanol	CH ₃ OH	1.33
Methylmethacrylate		1.48-1.50
1 - Methyl Naphthalene	CH ₃ C ₁₀ H ₇	1.62
Methyl Salicylate		1.535-1.538
Mesolite		1.506
Mica	see individual compounds	
(Muscovite)		1.552 - 1.616
(Paragonite)		1.564 - 1.609
(Phlogopite)		1.530 - 1.637
(Biotite)		1.565 - 1.696
(Lepidolite)		1.525 - 1.587
Microcline (Feldspar)	KAlSi ₃ O ₈	1.514 - 1.539
Miglyol (Coconut Oil)		1.4493
Milled Glass		1.55
Milk Fat		1.46
Milk Serum		1.34
Millerite (Nickel Sulphide)	NiS	1.81
Minium (Lead Sulphide)	Pb ₃ O ₄	2.40 - 2.44
Molybdate, Orange	Pb(Mo,S,Cr,P)O ₄	2.55
Molybdenum	Mo	3.71
Monazite (cerium (III) Orthophosphate)	(CeLaTh)PO ₄	1.774-1.851
Montmorillonite (Clay Minerals)	(0.5Ca,Na)0.7(Al,MhFe) ₄ (Si,Al) ₈ O ₂₀ (OH) ₄	1.48 - 1.64
Mordenite		1.4798
Muscovite (Mica)	KAl ₂ Si ₃ AlO ₁₀ (OH,F) ₂	1.552 - 1.616
Mustard Oil		1.475

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Natrolite		1.483
Neat's Foot Oil		1.464
Nickel	Ni	1.98
Nickel Oxide	NiO	2.182
Nickel Oxide (Bunsenite)	NiO	2.18
Nickel Sulphate	NiSO ₄	1.48
Nickel Sulphate, Hexahydrate	NiSO ₄ .6H ₂ O	1.511
Niobium	Nb	1.80
Nutmeg Oil		1.472-1.488
Nylon		1.53
Ochre, Yellow (Goethite)	Fe ₂ O ₂ .H ₂ O	2.0 - 2.4
Olea Europa Sativa (Olive Oil)		1.4679
Oligoclase (triclinic)	[(NaSi]0.9-0.7[CaAl]0.1-0.3)AlSi ₂ O ₈	1.533 - 1.552
Olive Oil (Olea europa sativa)		1.4679
Orange Oil		1.472-1.476
Orange Pigments		2.593 (average)
Orthoclase (Feldspar)	KAlSi ₃ O ₈	1.518 - 1.539
Osmium	Os	3.88
Palladium		1.80
Palm Oil		1.4578
Palm-kernel Oil		1.4569
Paragonite (Mica)	NaAl ₂ Si ₃ AlO ₁₀ (OH) ₂	1.564 - 1.609
Paraffin		1.43
Paraffin Wax		1.446
Paraldehyde		1.403-1.406
Peanut Oil		1.4691
Peppermint Oil		1.460-1.467
Periclase (Magnesium Oxide)	MgO	1.7350
Perspex		1.495
Phlogopite (Mica)	KMg ₃ AlSi ₃ O ₁₀ (OH,F) ₂	1.530 - 1.637
Phillipsite		1.498
Phosphorous (yellow)	P ₄	2.144

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Phthalocyanine Blue (Copper phthalocyanine)		1.38
Phthalocyanine Green (Chloro-copper phthalocyanine)		1.40
Phytomenadine (Vitamin K1)		1.526-1.528
Pigments (Red) (Blue)		(averages) 2.522 1.63
Platinum	Pt	4.50
Poly (1,2 - Butadiene)		1.50
Poly (2 - Vinyltetrahydrofuran)		1.55
Poly (2 - Vinylthiophene)		1.6376
Polycarbonate		1.60
Pollens & Spores		1.5
Polyester Resin		1.523 - 1.54
Polyethylene (Low Density)		1.50-1.54
Polyethylene (Med. Density)		1.52-1.54
Polyethylene (High Density)		1.54
Polymethylmethacrylate		1.4760
Polypropylene		1.49
Polystyrene		1.59-1.6
Polystyrene Acrylonitrile		1.56 - 1.57
Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE)		1.30 - 1.40
Polytrifluorochloroethylene		1.43
Polyvinyl Acetate (PVA)		1.395
Polyurethane		1.5 - 1.6
Polyvinylchloride (rigid) (PVC)		1.54
Polyvinylchloride (Non-rigid) (PVC)		1.50 - 1.54
Poppy-seed Oil		1.4685
Potash Alum (Potassium Aluminium Sulphate)	$KAl(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$	1.429 - 1.456
Potassium Aluminium Sulphate Nat. Kalinite (Potash Alum)	$KAl(SO_4)_2 \cdot 12H_2O$	1.429 - 1.456
Potassium Bromide	KBr	1.55
Potassium Carbonate (Pearl ash)	K_2CO_3	1.531

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Potassium Chromate	K_2CrO_4	1.726
Potassium Nitrate	KNO_3	1.504
Potassium Phosphate	KH_2PO_4	1.50
Potassium Silico Fluoride	K_2SiF_6	1.399
Potassium Iodide	KI	1.677
Potassium Chloride (Sylvite)	KCl	1.49
Propan-2-ol (IPA)	$(CH_3)_2CHOH$	1.39
Propylene Glycol	$CH_3CH(OH)CH_2OH$	1.431-1.433
Prussian Blue	$Fe[Fe(CN_6)]_3$	1.56
Pumice (Volcanic Glass)	[Na,K,Al]	1.500
PVC		1.53
PVT		1.5500
Pyrolusite (Manganese Oxide)	MnO_2	2.4
Pyrope (Garnet)		1.714
Pyrrhotite (Iron Sulphide)	$Fe(1-0.8)S$	1.56
Quartz		
(Chalcedony, Cristobalite, Flintsilica, Silicon Dioxide, Tridymite)	SiO_2	1.544 - 1.553
Quinacridone Violet	$C_{20}H_{12}O_2N_2$	2.02 (average)
Rapeseed Oil		1.4706
Red Lead	Pb_3O_4	2.42
Red Pigments		2.522 (average)
Resins - See 'epoxy'		
Resin (Cyclic Ketone)		1.60
Rhodium	Rh	2.14
Rhodochrosite (Manganese Carbonate)	$MnCO_3$	1.816 - 1.597
Rice Bran (Refined)		1.469
Rocksalt (Halite, Sodium Chloride)	NaCl	1.544
Rubber Gum (Soft / Hard)		1.33 - 1.540
Ruby (Corundum)	Al_2O_3	1.759 - 1.763
Ruthenium	Ru	4.8
Rutile (Titanium Dioxide)	TiO_2	2.605 - 2.901

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Safflower Oil		1.462
Sardine Oil		1.4660
Sapphire (Corundum)	Al_2O_3	1.767 - 1.772
Saw Dust & Wood Flour		1.53
Scolecite		1.5156
Selenium	Se	2.8 (approx)
Selenium Glass		2.6 (approx)
Sesame Oil		1.4646
Sienna, Burnt	Fe_2O_3	1.85
Sienna, Raw (Goethite)	$\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.87 - 2.17
Silica (Crisobalite)	SiO_2	1.487
(Quartz)		1.544
(tridymite)		1.469
Silicon	Si	3.5 (approx)
Silicon Carbide	SiC	2.64 - 2.65
Silicon Dioxide (Nat. Cristobalite)	SiO_2	1.484 - 1.487
(Nat. Lechatelierite)		1.4588
(Nat. Tridymite)		1.469 - 1.471
(Nat. Quartz)		1.544 - 1.533
Silicon Nitride	Si_3N_4	2.02
Silicon Oil		1.4030
Silver	Ag	0.2
Silver Bromide (Bromyrite)	AgBr	2.235
Silver Chloride (Cerargyrite)	AgCl	2.071
Silver Cyanide	AgCN	1.685 - 1.940
Silver Iodide (Iodyrite)	AgI	2.21
Silver Nitrate	AgNO_3	1.729 - 1.788
Soap (Powdered)		1.500
Sodium Biborate (Borax)	$\text{Na}_2\text{O} \cdot 2\text{B}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.469
Sodium Carbonate (White, Powder HYG)	Na_2CO_3	1.500
Sodium Carbonate (White, V)	$\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3 \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.500
Sodium Bicarbonate	NaHCO_3	1.500

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Sodium Chloride	NaCl	1.5442
Sodium Chloride (colourless, V)	NaCl	1.520
Sodium (di) Silicate	Na ₂ Si ₂ O ₅	1.5-1.51
Sodium Fluoride (Villaumite)	NaF	1.32
Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate (Sodium Bicarbonate)	NaHCO ₃	1.50
Sodium Hydrogen Sulphite	NaHSO ₃	1.526
Sodium Metaphosphate	NaPO ₃	1.478
Sodium Metasilicate	Na ₂ SiO ₂	1.520
Sodium Metal	Na	4.22
Sodium Nitrate	NaNO ₃	1.336 - 1.587
Sodium Nitrate (colourless, IIIa)	NaNO ₃	1.587
Sodium (ortho) Silicate	Na ₄ SiO ₄	1.53
Sodium Silicofluoride	Na ₂ SiF ₆	1.312
Sodium Sulphate	Na ₂ SO ₄ .10H ₂ O	1.396
Sodium Sulphate (colourless, IV, V, EFF)	Na ₂ SO ₄ .10H ₂ O	1.396
Sodium Sulphite	Na ₂ SO ₃	1.515-1.565
Sodium Sulphate (Anhydrous)	Na ₂ SO ₄	1.471-1.484
D-sorbitol (D-Gulcitol)		1.333
Soya Oil		1.465-1.475
Soybean Oil At 40°C (glycine soja)		1.4729
Spearmint Oil		1.484-1.491
Spessartite (Garnet)		1.80
Spores & Pollen		1.5
Sphalerite (Zinc Sulphide b)	ZnS	2.368
Spinel (Magnesium Aluminate)	MgAl ₂ O ₄	1.71 - 1.72
SPS Clay		1.4600
Stannic Oxide	SnO ₂	1.997
Starch (Amylum)	(C ₆ H ₁₀ O ₅) _n	1.53
Stilbite		1.4983
Strontium Carbonate	SrCO ₃	1.664
Strontium Oxide	SrO	1.810

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Strontium Sulphate	SrSO ₄	1.624
Strontium Titanate	SrTiO ₃	2.39
Strontium Yellow	SrCrO ₄	2.01
Sulphur	S ₈	1.957
Sucrose (saccharose)	C ₁₂ H ₂₂ O ₁₁	1.538
Sugars - See Sucrose		
Sunflower-seed Oil		1.4694
Sylvine	KCl	1.49050
Sylvite (Potassium Chloride)	KCl	1.49
Talc	3MgO,4SiO ₂ ,H ₂ O	1.589
Tantalum	Ta	1.70
Tartaric Acid		1.49
Tea Dust		1.530
Terpeneless Lemon Oil		1.475-1.485
Tetrachloromethane	CCl ₄	1.46
Tetrahydrofuran (THF)	CH ₂ ·(CH ₂) ₂ ·CH ₂ O	1.41
Thallium Bromide	TlBr	2.40 - 2.8
Thallium Bromide-Thallium Chloride	TlBr-TlCl ₃	2.33
Thallium Bromide-Thallium Iodide	TlBr-TlI	2.57
Thallium Chloride	TlCl ₃	2.33
Theobroma Oil (Cocoa Butter)		1.456-1.458
Thomasonite		1.5225
Tin IV Chloride	SnCl ₄	1.512
Tin Iodide	SnI ₂	2.106
Tin IV iodide	SnI ₄	2.106
Tin IV Dioxide (Nat. Cassiterite)	SnO ₂	1.997 - 2.093
Titanium	Ti	2.15
Titanium Barium White	TiO ₂ 25%, BaSO ₄ 75%	1.7-2.5
Titanium Calcium White	TiO ₂ 25%, CaSO ₄ 75%	1.8-2.0
Titanium Dioxide (Anatase)	TiO ₂	2.493 - 2.554
(Rutile)		2.616 - 2.903

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Titanium Oxide (Anatase) Brown or Black, II	TiO ₂	2.49 - 2.554
Titanium Oxide (Brookite) Brown, I, Black, IV	TiO ₂	2.586
Titanium Oxide (Rutile) Colourless (if pure), Brown II	TiO ₂	2.56 - 2.90
Titanium Dioxide + Calcium Sulfate	TiO ₂ + CaSO ₄	1.98 - 2.605
Tobacco Dust		1.53
Toluene	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₃	1.49
Toners		1.42 - 2.42
Tri Aluminate	Ca ₃ Al ₂ O ₆ or 3CaOAl ₂ O ₂	1.710
Tri Aluminate Hexahydrate	3CoOAl ₂ O ₃ GH ₂ O	1.603
Tri Calcium Phosphate	Ca ₃ (PO ₄) ₂	1.627
Triethanolamine		1.482-1.485
1,1,1- Trichloroethane	CH ₃ CCL ₃	1.49
Trichloroethylene	CHCL:CCl ₂	1.48
Tridymite (Silicon Dioxide)	SiO ₂	1.471 - 1.483
Tungstic Acid	H ₂ WO ₄	2.24
Tungsten acid (ortho)	H ₂ WO ₄	2.24
Turpeneless Orange Oil		1.461-1.473
Turpentine Oil		1.467 - 1.477
Ultramarine Blue	Na ₈₋₁₀ Al ₆ Si ₆ O ₂₄ S ₂₋₄	1.51 - 1.63
Ultramarine Violet		1.56
Umber, Burnt	Fe ₂ O ₃ + MnO ₂	2.2 - 2.3
Umber, Raw	Fe ₂ O ₃ + MnO ₂ + H ₂ O	1.87 - 2.17
Urea-formaldehyde		1.54 - 1.56
Uvarovite (Garnet)		1.86
Van Dyke Brown (Bitumous earth)		1.62 - 1.69
Vanadium	V	2.35
Vanadium Pentoxide	V ₂ O ₅	1.52
Vermillion	HgS	2.8 - 3.14
Violet Pigments		1.739 (average)

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Viridian (Chromium oxide, transparent)	$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.82 - 2.12
Volasil 244		1.394
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Volasil 344		1.397
Volcanic Glass	Na,K,Al silicate	1.500
Vinyl Chloride Acetate		1.5-1.55
Water	H_2O	1.33
Waxes (Average)		1.458
Whale Oil		1.460
White Lead	$2\text{PbCO}_3 \cdot \text{Pb}(\text{OH})_2$	1.94 - 2.09
White Pigments (Transparent)		1.566 (average)
White Pigments (Opaque)		2.132 (average)
White Spirit		1.43 - 1.44
Whiting (Chalk)	CaCO_3	1.510 - 1.645
Witherite (Barium Carbonate)	BaCO_3	1.529 - 1.677
Wood Flour		1.53
Wool, Human Hair		1.54 - 1.56
Wurtzite (Zinc Sulphide a)	ZnS	2.356 - 2.378
Xylene (1,2 - Dimethyl benzene)	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{CH}_3)_2$	1.496
Yellow Pigments		2.187 (average)
Yttrium Molybdate	$\text{Y}_2(\text{MO}_4)_3 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$	2.03
Yttrium Sulphate	$\text{Y}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$	1.55
Yttrium Sulphate (Octahydrate)	$\text{Y}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.543-1.576
Zea Mays (Corn Oil)		1.4734
Zeolite		1.5026 (average)
Zinc Ammonium Solenate	$\text{Sn}(\text{SeO}_4)(\text{NH}_4)_2 \cdot \text{Se}_{42} \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.52 - 1.53
Zinc Bromate	$\text{Zn}(\text{BrO}_3)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	1.5452
Zinc Carbonate (Smithsonite)	ZnCO_3	1.618 - 1.818
Zinc Carbonate (White, IIIa)	ZnCO_3	1.818
Zinc Cesium Sulfate $6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	$\text{ZnCe}_3(\text{SO}_4)_3$	1.50 - 1.50
Zinc Chloride	ZnCl_2	1.68 - 1.71

Compound	Formula	Refractive index
Zincite (Zinc Oxide)	ZnO	2.01 - 2.02
Zinc (ortho) Phosphate	$Zn_3(PO_4)_2 \cdot 4H_2O$	1.572-1.665
Zinc Oxide (Nat. Zincite)	ZnO	2.008
Zinc Oxide White, AM, III	ZnO	2.008
Zinc Selenide	ZnSe	2.631
Zinc Silicate (Hemimorphite)	$2ZnO \cdot SiO_2 \cdot H_2O$	1.64 - 1.636
Zinc Sulfide (Wurzite)	ZnS	2.356 - 2.378
(Sphalerite)		2.368
(Cleartran™)		2.368
Zinc White	ZnO	2.00, 2.02
Zinc Yellow	$4ZnO \cdot 4CrO_3 \cdot K_2O \cdot 3H_2O$	1.84 - 1.9
Zircon (Zirconium Orthosilicate)	$ZrSiO_4$	1.92 - 2.02
Zirconium		2.32
Zirconium Oxide (Nat. Baddeleyite)	ZrO_2	2.13 - 2.2
Zirconium Oxide White (pure), yellow-brown, V, H7.5	ZrO_2	2.19
Zirconium (ortho) Silicate	$ZrSiO_4$	1.92-2.02
Zirconium Silicate (Zircon)	$ZrSiO_2$	1.92 - 1.96
Zirconium Sulfide	ZrS_2	1.923 - 2.015
Zircosil		1.9700

Sample dispersion guide

Material	Dispersant	Additives	Ultrasonics
Albumen	Methanol		1 minute in ultrasonic bath
Albuterol	Iso-octane		1 minute in ultrasonic bath
Alkali Salts	cyclohexanol n-butanal, n-butylamine, linseed oil	xylene	
Alumina (Al ₂ O ₃)	Water (de-ion- ised optional)	None	None
	Water	Sodium Hexametaphos- phate	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
	Water	Igepal CA-630	
	Water	Tetra-Sodium Pyrophosphate	15 mins. in ultrasonic bath
	Water	Daxad 11	2 mins. via probe plus 40% in ultrasonic bath continuously to tank.
Aluminium	Water	Igepal CA-630	
		Sodium Hexametaphosphate	5-10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Aluminium Trihydrate	Water	Igepal CA-630	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Amylodipin Berylate	Sunflower oil		12 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Ammonium Perchlorate	Butyl Acetate		10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Ammonium Phosphate	Acetone		
Amoxycillin	Dimethyldigol		

Material	Dispersant	Additives	Ultrasonics
Anthracite	Water	Trinatrium Phosphate or Perminal BX	
Antimony Oxide (Sb ₂ O ₃)	Water	Igepal CA-630	3 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Antimony Trioxide	Water	Mix powder in neat Igepal CA-630 before diluting	30 secs - 2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Arsenates	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Arsenious Oxide	Octyl Alcohol Cyclohexanol Liquid Paraffin	2% Fatty Acid	
Ash	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Atecortin	Liquid Paraffin		5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Azodicarbonanide	IPA		5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Barium Carbonate	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	3 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Barium Hexaferrite (BaFe ₁₂ O ₁₉)	Water		
Barium Strontium Carbonate	Water-Ethanol mixture		
Barium Sulphate	Water Water-Methanol mixture	Sodium Hexametaphosphate or Lissapol NX (Alkylphenol/ Ethylene Oxide condensate) non ionic.	
Barium Titanate	Water	Igepal CA-630	5 mins. ultrasound by probe.
Barytes	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate or Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Bentonite	Propan-2-ol Water	Make slurry in Sodium Hexametaphosphate solution	
Beryl	Water	Sodium Silicate or Sodium Hexametaphosphate	

Material	Dispersant	Additives	Ultrasonics
Blast furnace Slag	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Boron Nitride	Water	Daxad 11	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath and 80% applied continuously to tank.
Bismaleimide	Water	Igepal CA-630	15 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Bismuth Oxide (Bi ₂ O ₃)	Water	Igepal CA-630	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Boron	Water	Daxad 11	2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Bronze Powder	Water	Igepal CA-630 + 10ml Acetone	4 mins. in ultrasonic bath at 80%, followed by 1 min. at 100% to tank.
	Water	10% triton X-100 and Acetone	None
	Hexane		
Brown Coal	Cyclohexanol + 10% Methanol phthalsure-diaethylester		
Cadmium Sulphide	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
	Ethylene Glycol		
Calcium Arsenate	1:1 Ethyl Alcohol : Water		
Calcium Carbonate	Water	Igepal CA-630	
	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate solution	50% in ultrasound applied continuously to tank.
	Propan-2-ol		
Calcium Compounds	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Calcium Phosphate	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Calcium Oxide	Propan-2-ol		High powered ultrasonic probe.
	Ethylene Glycol		
Calcium Sulphate (Feldspar)	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
	Propan-2-ol		
Calomel	Cyclohexanol		
Carbon Black	Water	Igepal CA-630	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath

Material	Dispersant	Additives	Ultrasonics
(Graphite)	Water	Sodium Citrate	
(Activated)	Water		100% continuous ultra-sound to tank.
	Chloroform		
	Concentrated/ saturated ammonium cit- rate solution		10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Carbamazepin	Cyclohexane		Magnetically stir for 15-30 mins. or 2 mins. in ultra-sonic bath
Carborundum	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Casein	Water	Tween 80	
Cellulose Diacetate	95% Acetone/ Water		
Cellulose Powder	Benzene	Trinatrium Phosphate	
Cement	Ethanol		
Cerium Oxide	De-ionised water	Igepal CA-630	If necessary
	De-ionised water		2 - 5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Ceramic	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Ceramic Grog	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Cerussite	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Chalk	Water	Sodium Silicate	
	Water	Potassium Citrate	
	Acetone		
	Petroleum		
Chalk (precipitated)	Isopropanol		
Charcoal	Water	Sodium Oxalate, Sodium Linoleate or Sodium Pyrophosphate	
	Aqueous Ammonia		

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Chocolate	Sunflower Oil Volasil 344		
Chromium	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Chromium Oxide	Water	Daxad or Igepal CA-630	10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Clay	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Clay (Bentonite)	Propan-2-ol		
Coal	Water Ethanol Cyclohexanol 1:1, Cyclohexanol : Methanol	Calcium Chloride Igepal CA-630	10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Cobalt Metal	Water	Igepal CA-630	100% continuously to tank.
Cobalt Oxide	Water	Igepal CA-630	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Coke	Water Isobutyl alcohol Isopropyl alcohol 1:1, Ethylene Glycol : Ethanol	Permalin or Sodium Linoleate Calcium Chloride Calcium Chloride	
Copper	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Copper Carbonate	Water		10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Dolomite	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Diamond	Alcohol		
Digoxin	Sunflower Oil		5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Diltiazem	Sunflower Oil		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Water based drilling muds	Saturated Salt solution + 10 to 15% Diethylene Glycol, filtered		
Ferric Oxide	De-ionised water	Ammonium citrate	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath

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Feldspar	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Fluoxetine HCl	Sunflower oil		
Fly Ash	Propane-2-ol (IPA) Acetone Water		10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Fondant	90% Methanol/ Water		
Furosemide	Sunflower Oil		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Garnet	Water	Dispex	
Gelatin	Ethanol		
Gentamicin Sulphate	Chloroform		
Glass Powder	Water	Lissapol NX (Alkylphenol / Ethylene Oxide Condensate) non ionic.	
Glass Spheres	0.1% sodium hexametaphosphate solution		
Graphite	Water	Igepal CA-630	If necessary
Gypsum (CaSO ₄ ·2H ₂ O)	Water	1% Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Haematite	Water		
Hydrated Lime	Ethanol Isopropanol		
Hydrocortisone Acetate	Saturated Solution in Water		
Hymecromone	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Ibuprofen	Deionised water	Igepal CA-630	
Ilmenite	Water		
Ink	Benzyl Alcohol		
Ion Exchange resin	Water		
Fe Si B	Water	Daxad II	In ultrasonic bath + 80% ultrasound applied continuously to tank

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Iron Oxide (Fe ₂ O ₃)	Water Tetrahydrofuran	Igepal CA-630	
Iron Oxide (red)	Water	Ammonium Citrate	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Kaolin	Water Water and a few drops of Ammonia	Sodium Silicate or Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Kieselguhr	Water		
Lactose	Propan-2-ol or Ethanol		
Latex (Pre-dispersed)	Dilute Ammonia solution Water		
Lead	Acetone Water Cyclohexanol Isoamylalcohol		
Lead Cyanamide	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Lead Monoxide	Xylene		
Lead Oxide	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Lead Pigments	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Lead (Red)	Paint prepared in Linseed Oil and dispersed in White Spirit (Aluminium Stearate).		
Lignite	Cyclohexanol + 10% Methanol Isobutyl Alcohol Diethyl Ester or Phthalic Acid		
Limestone (CaO)	Propan-2-ol		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Lithopone	Water 33% Aqueous Glycerol	Dispersal T	

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Magnesite	Ethylene Glycol		
Magnetite	Water / Ethanol / Methanol / Nitrobenzene		
Magnesium (Mg)	Water Acetone		
Magnesium Carbonate	Acetone		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Magnesium Hydroxide	Water	Dispex	5 mins. using ultrasonic probe
Manganese Carbonate	Water	Igepal CA-630	3 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Manganese Dioxide	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Marzipan	Hot Water		
Metallic Oxides	De-ionised water		
Methyl Methacrylate	Water		
Mica	Water	Igepal CA-630	2 - 5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Milk Powder	Volasil 344 Hot Water Water	Igepal CA-630	10 mins. in ultrasonic bath 5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Molybdenum	Ethylene Glycol		
Molybdenum Oxide	Ethylene Glycol		
Molochite	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Moulding Sand	Water	Sodium Hydroxide	
Nedocromil Sodium	Dimethylidigol		10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Nickel	Rape Oil + Acetone Aqueous Glycerol Cyclohexanol + 10% Acetone		
Nickel Powder	Ammonium Citrate solution		
Nickel Zinc Ferrite	Ammonium Citrate solution		5 mins. in ultrasonic bath

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Organic Powders	Isobutyl Alcohol and Diethyl Phthalate mixtures Octyl Alcohol Isoamyl Alcohol		
Paint Pigment (Sicomine red) Lead based (Monolite Blue)	Water		100% ultrasound applied continuously to tank.
Paracetamol	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Paracetamol Metoclopramide Paramet Suspension	Hexane		
Paracetamol	Water	Igepal CA-630 10%	
Paraffin Wax	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Pentoxifyline	Liquid Paraffin		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Phosphate Ores	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Phosphor (Red)	4% conc. in Methylated Spirits		
Phosphorous	Water	Potassium Silicate or Potassium Silicate + 0.02% Daxad 23	
Phosphorous (red)	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Pigments	Water Isopropanol	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Plaster	Water Alcohol-Glycol	Potassium Citrate Potassium Citrate	
Platinum	Water	Igepal CA-630	2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Polyamide	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Polyester AISi	Water	Daxad 11:Igepal CA- 630, 1:1 mixture	
Polymethylmetha - crylate	50% Glycerol and water		
Polyvinyl Acetate emulsion	Water		

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Polyvinyl Polypropylidene (PVPP)	Water		
Polyvinyl Chloride	Water	Igepal CA-630	
	Water	Ethanol	
Potassium Nitrate	Ethanol		
Potassium Perchlorate	Ethanol		
Prednisolone	Water		
Procaine Penicillin	Hexane		
Proteneid	Water	Igepal CA-630	
PTA (Purified Terephthalic Acid)	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Pulp	Water	Sodium Silicate	
Pumicite	Water		
PVC	Water	Ethanol	
Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE)	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Polyvinyl Polypropylidene (PVPP)	Water		
Quartz	Water		
Red Lead	Ethanol		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Salbutamol	Sunflower oil		5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Salbutamol Sulphate	2,2,4-Trimethyl- pentane		Stir magnetically for 5-10 mins.
Sand	Water	Sodium Silicate	
		Butyl Phthalate + Alcohol	
Sewage	Water		
Shales	Alcohol	Calcium Chloride	
Silicates	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Silicon Carbide	Water	Daxad 11	2 mins. in ultrasonic bath and 100% ultrasound applied continuously to tank
Silicon Dioxide	Water		
Silicon Metal			
Powder	Water		

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Silicon Pigments	Toluene		
Silicone Oil Emulsion	Water		
Silver solpadizzine	IPA		
(Quartz) (SiO ₂)	Water		4 mins. via ultrasonic probe plus 100% applied continuously to tank.
Silica (Fumed)	Propan-2-ol		
Silica Gel	Water	Two drops 50% calgon	5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Silicon	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Silicon Nitride	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Sillimanite	1:1, Water : Ethyl Alcohol		
	Water	Sodium Pyrophosphate	
Silver Metal Powder	1:3, Triethanolamine : water	Igepal CA-630	
Slag (Cement)	Isopropanol Water		
Sodium Azide	Cyclohexane		
Sodium Bicarbonate (Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate)	Saturated solu- tion of IPA (Propan-2-ol)		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Sodium Carbonate	Ethanol		
Sodium Laurate	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Sodium Perborate	Water		
Soils & Clays	Water Butyl Phthalate + Alcohol	Sodium Oxalate	
Solder	Methanol		
Sorbitol	Volasil 344		
Starch	Water		
Steel Powder	Water	Lissapol NX (Alkylphenol/Ethylene Oxide condensate) non- ionic.	

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Sugar	Isobutyl Alcohol Diethyl Ester of Phthalic Acid Isoamyl Alcohol		
Sulphides	Ethylene Glycol		
Sulphur	Water	Igepal CA-630	5 mins. in bath
Talc	Water	Igepal CA-630	100% continuously applied to tank.
	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	1 minute in ultrasonic bath
	Ethanol		5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Tea	Water		2 mins. in bath plus 50% ultrasound continuously applied to tank.
Tea whitener	Water		2 mins. via probe
Teflon	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Tin Oxide	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	1 minute in ultrasonic bath
Titanium	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Titanium Diboride	De-ionised water	Daxad II	
Titanium Dioxide	Deionised water	Daxad 11	10 mins. via probe.
	Water	Dispex	2 mins. via probe.
	Butanone(MEK)		10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Toner Jet-Milled	Methanol		
Tri-calcium Phosphate	Water		
Tungsten Carbide	Water	Daxad 11	1 minute in ultrasonic bath
Uranium Oxides	Aqueous Glycerol Iso-butanol Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	
Verapranic HCl	Sunflower oil		5 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Yttrium Oxide (Yttria) Y ₂ O ₃	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	1 minute in ultrasonic bath

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Yttrium Hydroxy Carbonate $Y(OH)CO_3$	Propan-2-ol (IPA)		10 mins. via probe.
Zeolite	Water		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Zinc	Ethanol Butanol Acetone		
Zinc Hydroxystannate	Water	Igepal CA-630	
Zinc Oxide	Ethylene Glycol		2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	1 minute in ultrasonic bath
	Water		50% ultrasound applied continuously to tank.
	Water	Igepal CA-630	3 mins. in ultrasonic bath
	Acetone		10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Zircon	Water	Orotan Sn	10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Zirconium	Water	Igepal CA-630	1 minute in ultrasonic bath
Zirconium Oxide	Water		1-2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
	Water	Daxad 11	1-2 mins. in ultrasonic bath
	De-ionised Water	Orotan SN	10 mins. in ultrasonic bath
Zirconium Silicate	Water	Sodium Hexametaphosphate	1 minute in ultrasonic bath

