

## Equilibrium constants for hydrolysis and associated equilibria in critical compilations

# Aluminium

Equilibrium reactions	lgK at infinite dilution and T = 298 K		
	Baes and Mesmer, 1976	Brown and Ekberg, 2016	Hummel and Thoenen, 2023
$\text{Al}^{3+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{AlOH}^{2+} + \text{H}^+$	-4.97	$-4.98 \pm 0.02$	$-4.98 \pm 0.02$
$\text{Al}^{3+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Al(OH)}_2^+ + 2 \text{H}^+$	-9.3	$-10.63 \pm 0.09$	$-10.63 \pm 0.09$
$\text{Al}^{3+} + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Al(OH)}_3 + 3 \text{H}^+$	-15.0	$-15.66 \pm 0.23$	$-15.99 \pm 0.23$
$\text{Al}^{3+} + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Al(OH)}_4^- + 4 \text{H}^+$	-23.0	$-22.91 \pm 0.10$	$-22.91 \pm 0.10$
$2 \text{Al}^{3+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Al}_2(\text{OH})_2^{4+} + 2 \text{H}^+$	-7.7	$-7.62 \pm 0.11$	$-7.62 \pm 0.11$
$3 \text{Al}^{3+} + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Al}_3(\text{OH})_4^{5+} + 4 \text{H}^+$	-13.94	$-14.06 \pm 0.22$	$-13.90 \pm 0.12$
$13 \text{Al}^{3+} + 28 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Al}_{13}\text{O}_4(\text{OH})_{24}^{7+} + 32 \text{H}^+$	-98.73	$-100.03 \pm 0.09$	$-100.03 \pm 0.09$
$\alpha\text{-Al(OH)}_3(s) + 3 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Al}^{3+} + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	8.5	$7.75 \pm 0.08$	$7.75 \pm 0.08$
$\gamma\text{-AlOOH}(s) + 3 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Al}^{3+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$		$7.69 \pm 0.15$	$9.4 \pm 0.4$

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P.L. Brown and C. Ekberg, Hydrolysis of Metal Ions. Wiley, 2016, pp. 757–797.

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# Distribution diagrams

These diagrams have been computed at two Al(III) concentrations (1 mM =  $1 \times 10^{-3}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup> and 1 µM =  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  mol L<sup>-1</sup>) with the ‘best’ equilibrium constants above (in green). Calculations assume  $T = 298$  K for the limiting case of zero ionic strength (*i.e.*, even neglecting plotted ions).

