

# Rodent NIH-31 Open Formula Auto

## for Maintenance & Growth



The NIH-31 Open Formula Autoclavable diet is formulated for maintenance, growth, reproduction, and lactation of both rats and mice. It contains additional amounts of vitamins to compensate for losses that occur during steam sterilization. It has been used at the National Institutes of Health as the standard reference diet for biological and biomedical research. It is also widely used in commercial rat and mouse production colonies.

### DIETARY INGREDIENT COMPOSITION (% BY WEIGHT)

Ground No. 2 Yellow Corn	21.00	Soybean Oil	1.50	Limestone	1.50
Ground Whole Wheat	35.37	Alfalfa Meal (17%)	2.00	Salt	0.50
Ground Whole Oats	10.00	Corn Gluten Meal (60%)	2.00	Premixes	0.63
Wheat Middlings	10.00	Brewers Dried Yeast	1.00		
Fish Meal (60%)	9.00	Dicalcium Phosphate	1.50		
Soybean Meal (47.5%)	5.00				



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### CALCULATED NUTRIENT COMPOSITION

Amino Acid Concentration* (% of total diet)	
Arginine	1.02
Lysine	0.91
Methionine	0.36
Cystine	0.28
Tryptophan	0.20
Histidine	0.41
Leucine	1.48
Isoleucine	0.79
Phenylalanine	0.82
Tyrosine	0.63
Threonine	0.67
Valine	0.90

Mineral Concentration*	
Calcium %	1.11
Phosphorous %	0.93
Potassium %	0.58
Sodium %	0.28
Magnesium %	0.22
Iron ppm	206.00
Zinc ppm	58.00
Manganese ppm	152.00
Copper ppm	17.50
Cobalt ppm	0.72
Iodine ppm	2.00

Vitamin Concentration	
Vitamin A IU/g	**
Vitamin D <sub>3</sub> IU/g	4.00
Alpha-Tocopherol IU/kg	44.00
Thiamine ppm	77.00
Riboflavin ppm	7.60
Niacin ppm	83.20
Pantothenic Acid ppm	38.00
Choline ppm	1916.00
Pyridoxine ppm	10.60
Folic Acid ppm	1.56
Biotin ppm	0.30
Vitamin B12 Mcg/kg	55.80
Vitamin K ppm	22.20

\*Amino acid, mineral and vitamin concentrations are obtained from dietary specifications for laboratory animals prepared by the National Institutes of Health. \*\* (10.0) True Vitamin A activity by HPLC Method.

Source: NIH. Dietary specifications

Gross Energy Kcal/gm 3.97

### PACKAGING

30 lb., 3-ply autoclavable paper bags

### PARTICLE SIZE

Binamic Wafer

### FEEDING INSTRUCTIONS

Zeigler rodent diets are formulated for ad libitum feeding. Adult rats will consume 15-20 grams of diet per day, while adult mice will consume 4-6 grams of diet per day. Clean, fresh water should be available ad libitum.

### GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Crude Protein	Minimum	18.0%
Crude Fat	Minimum	4.0%
Crude Fiber	Maximum	5.0%
Ash	Maximum	8.0%

### STORAGE

- Best if used within nine (9) months from date of manufacture.
- Sealed bags should be stored in a well-ventilated area in a cool, dry area away from direct sun light. Keep bags elevated from direct contact with floors & walls, protected from moisture & pests.



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