

Alimentary triacylglycerols must be degraded to fatty acids and monoacylglycerols before absorption by the intestinal mucosa. This breakdown is carried out by the small intestine lipases.

To make a usable buffer one should use acid or base with pK close to necessary pH values.

pH for buffers formed by weak base and its salt:

$$\text{pH} = 14 - \text{pK}_b + \lg \frac{[\text{B}]}{[\text{HB}^+]}$$

To obtain pH 9.5 the ammonia buffer should be used ($\text{pK}_b = 4.75$):

$$9.5 = 14 - 4.75 + \lg \frac{[\text{NH}_3]}{[\text{NH}_4^+]}$$

$$\frac{[\text{B}]}{[\text{BH}^+]} = 10^{0.25} = 1.78$$

Therefore, we should take 1.78 moles of ammonia for each mole of ammonia salt, such as ammonia chloride.

pH for buffers formed by weak acid and its salt:

$$\text{pH} = \text{pK}_a + \lg \frac{[\text{A}^-]}{[\text{HA}]}$$

To obtain pH 3.5 the racemic tartaric acid buffer should be used ($\text{pK}_{a1} = 3.22$):

$$3.5 = 3.22 + \lg \frac{[\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{O}_6^-]}{[\text{HC}_4\text{H}_5\text{O}_6]}$$

$$\frac{[\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{O}_6^-]}{[\text{HC}_4\text{H}_5\text{O}_6]} = 10^{0.28} = 1.91$$

Therefore, we should take 1.91 moles of sodium or potassium tartrate for each mole of tartaric acid.