

DESCRIPTION

Rat Diet is a formulated to supply complete life-cycle nutrition specifically designed to support reproduction, lactation, growth and maintenance of rats. This diet is formulated using the unique and innovative concept of Constant Nutrition®, paired with the selection of highest quality ingredients to assure minimal inherent biological variation in long-term studies. It is low in cholesterol content, with an increased level of unsaturated fatty acids over other rodent diets.

Features and Benefits

- Constant Nutrition® formula helps minimize nutritional variables
- Highly digestible formula specifically for rats
- Low cholesterol
- High quality fish meal and plant proteins added to create a superior balance of amino acids for optimum performance

Product Forms Available

- Oval pellet, 10 mm x 16 mm x 25 mm length (3/8"x5/8"x1")
- Meal (ground pellets)

GUARANTEED ANALYSIS

Crude protein not less than	22.0%
Crude fat not less than	4.0%
Crude fiber not more than	5.0%
Moisture not more than	13.0%
Ash not more than	8.0%

INGREDIENTS

Ground corn, dehulled soybean meal, fish meal, wheat middlings, cane molasses, dehydrated alfalfa meal, soybean oil, brewers dried yeast, wheat germ, dried beet pulp, ground oats, dicalcium phosphate, monocalcium phosphate, calcium carbonate, salt, DL-methionine, choline chloride, vitamin A acetate, cholecalciferol, menadione dimethylpyrimidinol bisulfite (vitamin K), pyridoxine hydrochloride, biotin, thiamin mononitrate, vitamin B₁₂ supplement, dl-alpha tocopheryl acetate, nicotinic acid, calcium pantothenate, riboflavin, manganous oxide, zinc oxide, ferrous carbonate, copper sulfate, zinc sulfate, calcium iodate, cobalt carbonate, sodium selenite.

FEEDING DIRECTIONS

Provide feeders large enough to hold two to three days supply of Rat Diet at any time. Arrange feeders so that animals cannot contaminate feed with feces. Keep plenty of clean, fresh water available to the animals at all times.

Rats- All rats will eat varying amounts of feed depending on their genetic origin. Larger strains will eat up to 30 grams per day. Smaller strains will eat up to 15 grams per day. Feeders in rat cages should be designed to hold two to three days supply of feed at one time.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION¹

Nutrients²			
Protein, %	23.2	Sulfur, %	0.33
Arginine, %	1.39	Sodium, %	0.28
Cystine, %	0.31	Chlorine, %	0.52
Glycine, %	1.11	Fluorine, ppm	25
Histidine, %	0.57	Iron, ppm	310
Isoleucine, %	1.12	Zinc, ppm	82
Leucine, %	1.85	Manganese, ppm	75
Lysine, %	1.35	Copper, ppm	12
Methionine, %	0.67	Cobalt, ppm	0.65
Phenylalanine, %	1.04	Iodine, ppm	1.1
Tyrosine, %	0.68	Chromium, ppm	1.4
Threonine, %	0.87	Selenium, ppm	0.30
Tryptophan, %	0.29		
Valine, %	1.15	Vitamins	
Serine, %	1.19	Carotene, ppm	1.9
Aspartic Acid, %	2.70	Vitamin K (as menadione), ppm	1.2
Glutamic Acid, %	4.54	Thiamin Hydrochloride, ppm	12
Alanine, %	1.38	Riboflavin, ppm	4.6
Proline, %	1.54	Niacin, ppm	81
Taurine, %	0.02	Pantothenic Acid, ppm	12
Fat (ether extract), %	5.0	Choline Chloride, ppm	1900
Fat (acid hydrolysis), %	5.8	Folic Acid, ppm	1.0
Cholesterol, ppm	170	Pyridoxine, ppm	6.5
Linoleic Acid, %	2.25	Biotin, ppm	0.3
Linolenic Acid, %	0.25	B ₁₂ , mcg/kg	50
Arachidonic Acid, %	<0.01	Vitamin A, IU/gm	12
Omega-3 Fatty Acids, %	0.32	Vitamin D ₃ (added), IU/gm	3.3
Total Saturated Fatty Acids, %	0.96	Vitamin E, IU/kg	35
Total Monounsaturated		Ascorbic Acid, mg/gm	—
Fatty Acids, %	1.04		
Fiber (Crude), %	3.8	Calories provided by:	
Neutral Detergent Fiber ³ , %	13.1	Protein, %	27.068
Acid Detergent Fiber ⁴ , %	4.9	Fat (ether extract), %	13.244
Nitrogen-Free Extract		Carbohydrates, %	59.688
(by difference), %	51.2	*Product Code	
Starch, %	39.5	1. Formulation based on calculated	
Glucose, %	0.29	values from the latest ingredient	
Fructose, %	0.34	analysis information. Since	
Sucrose, %	3.38	nutrient composition of natural	
Lactose, %	0.00	ingredients varies and some	
Total Digestible Nutrients, %	76.6	nutrient loss will occur due to	
Gross Energy, kcal/gm	4.14	manufacturing processes, analysis	
Physiological Fuel Value⁵,		will differ accordingly.	
kcal/gm	3.43	2. Nutrients expressed as percent of	
Metabolizable Energy,		ration except where otherwise	
kcal/gm	3.10	indicated. Moisture content is	
		assumed to be 10.0% for the	
		purpose of calculations.	
		3. NDF = approximately cellulose,	
		hemi-cellulose and lignin.	
		4. ADF = approximately cellulose	
		and lignin.	
		5. Physiological Fuel Value	
		(kcal/gm) = Sum of decimal	
		fractions of protein, fat and carbo-	
		hydrate (use Nitrogen Free	
		Extract) x 4,9,4 kcal/gm	
		respectively.	

Minerals

Ash, %	6.6
Calcium, %	0.95
Phosphorus, %	0.74
Phosphorus (non-phytate), %	0.46
Potassium, %	1.09
Magnesium, %	0.20