SOLVENTS FOR ULTRAVIOLET SPECTROPHOTOMETRY

This table lists some solvents commonly used for sample preparation for ultraviolet spectrophotometry. The properties given are:

- λ_c: cutoff wavelength, below which the solvent absorption becomes excessive.
- ε: dielectric constant (relative permittivity); the temperature in °C is given as a superscript.
- t_b: normal boiling point.

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Name	λ_c/nm	ε	t_b/°C
Acetic acid	260	6.20^{20}	117.9
Acetone	330	21.01^{20}	56.0
Acetonitrile	190	36.64^{20}	81.6
Benzene	280	2.28^{20}	80.0
2-Butanol	260	17.26^{20}	99.5
Butyl acetate	254	5.07^{20}	126.1
Carbon disulfide	380	2.63^{20}	46
Carbon tetrachloride	265	2.24^{20}	76.8
1-Chlorobutane	220	7.28^{20}	78.6
Chloroform	245	4.81^{20}	61.1
Cyclohexane	210	2.02^{20}	80.7
1,2-Dichloroethane	226	10.42^{20}	83.5
Dichloromethane	235	8.93^{25}	40
Diethyl ether	218	4.27^{20}	34.5
N,N-Dimethylacetamide	268	38.85^{21}	165
N,N-Dimethylformamide	270	38.25^{20}	153
Dimethyl sulfoxide	265	47.24^{20}	189
1,4-Dioxane	215	2.22^{20}	101.5
Ethanol	210	25.3^{20}	78.2
Ethyl acetate	255	6.08^{20}	77.1
Ethylene glycol dimethyl ether	240	7.30^{24}	85
Ethylene glycol monoethyl ether	210	13.38^{25}	135
Ethylene glycol monomethyl ether	210	17.2^{25}	124.1
Glycerol	207	46.53^{20}	290
Heptane	197	1.92^{20}	98.5
Hexadecane	200	2.05^{20}	286.8
Hexane	210	1.89^{20}	68.7
Methanol	210	33.0^{20}	64.6
Methylcyclohexane	210	2.02^{20}	100.9
Methyl ethyl ketone	330	18.56^{20}	79.5
Methyl isobutyl ketone	335	13.11^{20}	116.5
2-Methyl-1-propanol	230	17.93^{20}	107.8
N-Methyl-2-pyrrolidone	285	32.55^{20}	202
Nitromethane	380	37.27^{20}	101.1
Pentane	210	1.84^{20}	36.0
Pentyl acetate	212	4.79^{20}	149.2
1-Propanol	210	20.8^{20}	97.2
2-Propanol	210	20.18^{20}	82.3
Pyridine	330	13.26^{20}	115.2
Tetrachloroethylene	290	2.27^{30}	121.3
Tetrahydrofuran	220	7.52^{22}	65
Toluene	286	2.38^{23}	110.6
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane	231	2.41^{25}	47.7
2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	215	1.94^{20}	99.2
Water	191	80.10^{20}	100.0
o-Xylene	290	2.56^{20}	144.5
m-Xylene	290	2.36^{20}	139.1
p-Xylene	290	2.27^{20}	138.3