

Equilibrium constants for hydrolysis and associated equilibria in critical compilations

Nickel(II)

Equilibrium reactions	lgK at infinite dilution and T = 298 K					
	Feitknecht and Schindler, 1963	Baes and Mesmer, 1976	NIST46	Gamsjäger et al., 2005	Thoenen et al., 2014	Brown and Ekberg, 2016
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{NiOH}^+ + \text{H}^+$		-9.86	-9.9	-9.54 ± 0.14	-9.54 ± 0.14	-9.90 ± 0.03
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni(OH)}_2 + 2 \text{H}^+$		-19	-19		< -18	-21.15 ± 0.06
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + 3 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni(OH)}_3^- + 3 \text{H}^+$		-30	-30	-29.2 ± 1.7	-29.2 ± 1.7	
$\text{Ni}^{2+} + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni(OH)}_4^{2-} + 4 \text{H}^+$		< -44				
$2 \text{Ni}^{2+} + \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni}_2(\text{OH})^{3+} + \text{H}^+$		-10.7		-10.6 ± 1.0	-10.6 ± 1.0	-10.6 ± 1.0
$4 \text{Ni}^{2+} + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni}_4(\text{OH})^{4+} + 4 \text{H}^+$		-27.74	-27.7	-27.52 ± 0.15	-27.52 ± 0.15	-27.9 ± 0.6

$\beta\text{-Ni(OH)}_2(s) + 2 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni}^{2+} + 2 \text{H}_2\text{O}$		10.8			11.02 ± 0.20	10.96 ± 0.20 11.75 ± 0.13 (microcr)
$\text{Ni(OH)}_2(s) \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni}^{2+} + 2 \text{OH}^-$	-17.2 (inactive)		-17.2	-16.97 ± 0.20 (β) -17.2 ± 1.3 (cr)		
$\text{Ni(OH)}_2(s) + \text{OH}^- \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni(OH)}_3^-$	-4.2 (inactive)					
$\text{NiO(cr)} + 2 \text{H}^+ \rightleftharpoons \text{Ni}^{2+} + \text{H}_2\text{O}$				12.38 ± 0.06		12.48 ± 0.15

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Distribution diagrams

These diagrams have been computed at two Ni(II) concentrations (1 mM = 1×10^{-3} mol L⁻¹ and 1 µM = 1×10^{-6} mol L⁻¹) 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).

