

TABLE 6. The pH of Precipitation in Some Remote Areas

	Monthly Average Precipitation pH			Length of Record or Number of Events
	Median	Minimum	Maximum	
OCEANIC				
SAMOA (1)	5.3	4.5	6.0	36
MAUNA LOA (1)	5.0	3.3	6.7	47
HILO, HAWAII (2)	4.6	3.7	5.4	100's
AMSTERDAM Island (2)	4.7	3.8	5.4	17
BERMUDA (2)	5.1	4.0	5.6	33
WEST COAST				
CAPE GRIM, TASMANIA (1)	6.3	5.8	7.2	12
INDIA (4 STNS) (1)	6.3	5.8	6.6	13
IRELAND (3)	4.8 → 5.6			1968 - 1974
NORWAY (3)	4.8 → 5.2			Oct. 1977 - Sept. 1979
NORTH AMERICA (3)	~ 5.0			Variable
CONTINENTAL				
INDIA (9 STNS) (1)	7.5	5.8	8.9	51
GRAND JCT (COLO) (1)	6.5	5.4	8.0	40
ALAMOSA (COLO) (1)	6.8	5.0	8.2	73
SAN ANGELO (TEXAS) (1)	6.6	5.2	7.3	43
POLAR				
CANADIAN ARCTIC*	~ 5.0			Few
INLAND ANTARCTIC*	4.6 → 5.6			Few

ESTIMATED FROM ION BALANCE (see text)

- SOURCES: (1) Acid Rain - An Assessment based on Acid-Base Considerations of Factual Data, R. Sequira, 1981 (In Press).
 (2) Progress Report - Global Precipitation Chemistry Network, Jan. 1981, J. Galloway, W.C. Keene, G. E. Likens (Draft Report to NOAA).
 (3) See Text.