



## Product Information Sheet

# G3300 Guanidine Thiocyanate

Synonyms: Guanidinium rhodanide or Guanidinium thiocyanate  
CAS: 593-84-0  
Formula:  $\text{CH}_5\text{N}_3 \cdot \text{HSCN}$   
Mol. Weight: 118.16

### Properties

Form: Powder  
Appearance: Off-White to White  
Application: Molecular Biology  
Solubility: Soluble in Water  
Storage Temp: Room Temperature

### Application Notes

Guanidine thiocyanate is a powerful denaturing and chaotropic agent. It's used to solubilized cells in plant molecular biology applications. A protocol for using guanidine thiocyanate in RNA extraction has been published.<sup>1</sup>

It has been reported that guanidine thiocyanate is typically used at concentration of 4 to 6 M in RNA extraction protocol.<sup>2, 3, 4, 5</sup>

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