

Product Information Sheet

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Chloramphenicol

[R-(R*,R*)]-2,2-Dichloro-N-[2-hydroxy-1-(hydroxymethyl)-2-(4-

nitrophenyl)ethyl]acetamide, Chloromycetin, CAP

CAS: 56-75-7

Formula: $C_{11}H_{12}CI_2N_2O_5$

Molecular Wt: 323.13

Properties

Form: Powder

Appearance: Off-white to Yellow

Application: Antibiotic

Solubility: Soluble in water at up to 2.5 mg/mL per the Merck Index. More highly

soluble in ethanol. Consult the certificates of analysis for lot-specific

solubility information.

Typical Working

Concentration:

Varies by application, should be determined by end user.

Storage Temp: Room Temperature

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Stock Solution:

Store at 2-6°C for 30 days. Protect from light.

Other Notes: Derived from Streptomyces venezuelae. Plant Tissue Culture Tested

Application Notes

Chloramphenicol is derived from Streptomyces Venezuelae and has a broad spectrum of activity. It is often used for bacterial selection in molecular biology. Chloramphenicol is effective against grampositive and gram-negative bacteria. It functions by binding to the 50S ribosomal unit to prevent aminoacyl tRNA from binding to the ribosome which prevents elongation of protein chain.

References

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