

## Ceftriaxone Sodium, USP PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Ceftriaxone Sodium, USP

Product Number: C022

**CAS Number:** 104376-79-6 (trihydrate); 74578-69-1 (anhydrous)

**Molecular Formula:**  $C_{18}H_{16}N_8O_7S_3 \cdot 2Na \cdot 3.5 H_2O$ 

Molecular Weight: 661.60 g/mol

Form: Powder

**Appearance:** Off-white to yellow crystalline powder

**Solubility:** Freely soluble in aqueous solution (105 mg/mL), sparingly soluble in methanol,

and very slightly soluble in ethanol.

Source: Synthetic

**Water Content (Karl** 

Fischer):

8.0-11.0%

pH: 6.0-8.0 Storage Conditions: -20°C

**Description:** Ceftriaxone sodium, USP is a semisynthetic, broad-spectrum, third-generation

cephalosporin antibiotic that can be used in proteomics, the study of penicillinbinding proteins, and biosynthetic pathway investigation. It is freely soluble in

aqueous solution (105 mg/mL).

TOKU-E offers two forms of Ceftriaxone:

• Ceftriaxone Sodium, USP (C022)

• Ceftriaxone Free Acid (C074)

Ceftriaxone sodium, USP conforms to United States Pharmacopeia

specifications.

**Mechanism of Action:** Like β-lactams, cephalosporins interfere with PBP (penicillin binding protein)

activity involved in the final phase of peptidoglycan synthesis. PBP's are enzymes which catalyze a pentaglycine crosslink between alanine and lysine residues providing additional strength to the cell wall. Without a pentaglycine crosslink, the integrity of the cell wall is severely compromised and ultimately leads to cell lysis and death. Resistance to cephalosporins is commonly due to cells containing plasmid encoded  $\beta$ -lactamases. Like many cephalosporins, ceftriaxone is resistant to a number of  $\beta$ -lactamases. Ceftriaxone can be used

to study PBPs.

**Spectrum:** Ceftriaxone sodium is a broad-spectrum antibiotic targeting a wide variety of

Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria.

Microbiology Applications Ceftriaxone sodium is commonly used in clinical in vitro microbiological antimicrobial susceptibility tests (panels, discs, and MIC strips) against Grampositive and Gram-negative microbial isolates. Medical microbiologists use AST results to recommend antibiotic treatment options for infected patients. Representative MIC values include:

- Streptococcus pneumoniae 0.03 μg/mL 8 μg/mL
- Streptococcus pyogenes 0.008 μg/mL 0.5 μg/mL
- For a complete list of ceftriaxone MIC values, click here.

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