

## Furazolidone PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Furazolidone

Product Number: F004

**CAS Number:** 67-45-8

Molecular Formula:  $C_8H_7N_3O_5$ 

Molecular Weight: 225.16

Form: Powder

**Appearance:** Yellow crystalline powder

**Source:** Synthetic

Storage Conditions: 2-8°C

**Description:** Furazolidone is a nitrofuran antibiotic and is sparingly soluble in aqueous

solution at 40 µg/mL.

**Mechanism of Action:** Furazolidone targets bacterial DNA to induce crosslinks which lead to an

increased mutation rate or prevents complete DNA replication.

**Spectrum:** Furazolidone is a broad spectrum antibiotic targeting bacteria responsible for

gastrointestinal infections.

Microbiology Applications Furazolidone is commonly used in clinical in vitro microbiological antimicrobial

susceptibility tests (panels, discs, and MIC strips) against gram positive and gram negative microbial isolates. Medical microbiologists use AST results to recommend antibiotic treatment options for infected patients. Representative

MIC values include:

Treponema hyodysenteriae 0.1 μg/mL – 1.56 μg/mL

• For a complete list of furazolidone MIC values, click here.

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linking in DNA & Liquid Holding Recovery of *Vibrio Cholerae* Cells." *Indian Journal of Biochemistry and Biophysics* 16.3 (1979): 125-30. *www.ncbi.gov*.

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