

## Chartreusin PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Chartreusin

Product Number: C167

**CAS Number:** 6377-18-0

Molecular Formula:  $C_{32}H_{32}O_{14}$ 

Molecular Weight: 640.6

Appearance: Yellow solid

Storage Conditions: -20°C

**Description:** Chartreusin is an antitumor antibiotic that binds to GC-rich tracts in DNA, with

a clear preference for B-DNA over Z-DNA. Chartreusin is also a potent

inhibitor of topoisomerase II.

Chartreusin is soluble ethanol, methanol, DMF and DMSO.

Mechanism of Action: Chartreusin inhibits RNA synthesis and causes single-strand scission of DNA

via the formation of free radicals.

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