

Tyrocidine PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Tyrocidine

Product Number: T105

CAS Number: 8011-61-8

Molecular Formula: $C_{66}H_{87}N_{13}O_{13}$ (for Tyrocidine A)

Molecular Weight: 1269.7

Appearance: White solid

Storage Conditions: -20°C

Description: Tyrocidine is a family of eight cationic cyclic decapeptides produced by

Bacillus brevis, first reported by Dubos in 1941. Tyrocidines exhibit broad antibiotic activity against Gram positive and negative bacteria and are the major component of the tyrothricin complex which is used for treatment of

topical infections.

Mechanism of Action: The mechanism of action of tyrocidines is not fully understood; however, they

are known to act by disturbing lipid bilayers of the bacterial cell membrane.

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