

Mebendazole PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Mebendazole

Product Number: M082

CAS Number: 31431-39-7 Molecular Formula: $C_{16}H_{13}N_3O_3$

Molecular Weight: 295.29

Appearance: White to off-white powder

Description: Mebendazole is a broad-spectrum anthelmintic used as a treatment for

roundworms. More recently it has been investigated as an anti-cancer agent,

showing promise in vitro and in mouse models.

Mebendazole is soluble in formic acid and practically insoluble in water,

ethanol, and ether.

Mechanism of Action: Like other anitparasitic benzimidazoles, mebendazole inhibits tubulin

polymerization. The lack of transportation in the cell causes a build-up of waste

and a depletion of energy.

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