

## Ceftiofur Hydrochloride PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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**Product Name:** Ceftiofur Hydrochloride

Product Number: C228

**CAS Number:** 103980-44-5

**Molecular Formula:**  $C_{19}H_{17}N_5O_7S_3 \cdot HCI$ 

Molecular Weight: 560.02

**Solubility:** Ceftiofur Hydrochloride is insoluble in water

Storage Conditions: -20°C

**Description:** Ceftiofur Hydrochloride is the hydrochloride salt of Ceftiofur, a broad-spectrum,

third-generation β-lactamase resistant cephalosporin commonly used in veterinary research applications.. It was fist described in 1987. Its metabolite (desfurolyceftiofur) also has antibiotic activity. The compound is insoluble in

water.

We also offer:

• Ceftiofur Sodium (C061)

**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,

ceftiofur is resistant to  $\beta$ -lactamases.

**Spectrum:** Ceftiofur is a broad-spectrum antibiotic targeting a wide variety of Gram-

positive and Gram- negative bacteria including the β -lactamase producing

strains.

Microbiology Applications Ceftiofur 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:

- E. coli 0.12 μg/mL 0.5 μg/mL
- Salmonella spp. 0.5 μg/mL 2 μg/mL
- For a complete list of Ceftiofur MIC values, click here.

Ceftiofur is resistant to β-lactamases. Resistant strains of *E. coli* have been reported.

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