

Ofloxacin Hydrochloride PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Ofloxacin Hydrochloride

Product Number: 0039

CAS Number: 118120-51-7

Molecular Formula: C₁₈H₂₀FN₃O₄ • HCl

Molecular Weight: 397.83

Form: Powder

Appearance: Off-white crystalline powder **Solubility:** Sparingly soluble in water

Source: Synthetic

Storage Conditions: 2-8C

Description: Ofloxacin HCl is a synthetic, broad-spectrum, second-generation

fluoroquinolone antibiotic. It is an analog of nalidixic acid. Ofloxacin HCl inhibits the supercoiling activity of bacterial DNA gyrase, halting DNA

replication. Ofloaxacin was developed by Daiichi Seiyaku.

Mechanism of Action: Ofloxacin HCl is a Cytochrome P-450 inhibitor, a DNA Topoisomerase II

inhibitor. Fluoroquinolone antibiotics target bacterial DNA gyrase, an enzyme which reduces DNA strain during replication. Because DNA gyrase is required during DNA replication, subsequent DNA synthesis and ultimately cell division

is inhibited.

Spectrum: Ofloxacin is a broad-spectrum antibiotic targeting a wide range of Gram-

positive and Gram-negative organisms.

Microbiology Applications Ofloxacin 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. Representative MIC values include: Haemophilus influenzae 0.016 μ g/mL – 0.063 μ g/mL Escherichia coli 0.063 μ g/mL – 0.125 μ g/mL For a complete list of Ofloxacin MIC values, click here.

Cancer Applications Oflaxacin had an inhibitory effect on the proliferation of transitional cell

carcinoma cell lines at high concentrations (>200 μ g/ml). The effect may be related to impairment of telomerase activity by some unknown mechanism (Yamakuchi M et al, 1997). Ofloxacin inhibite proliferation and DNA synthesis of these 3 human TCC lines (CCSUP, T24, and J82) in vitro. Inhibition

occurred in a concentration- and time-dependent manner. Inhibition of proliferation and DNA synthesis were assessed via MTT and tritiated

thymidine assays.

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