

Virginiamycin, >95% PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Virginiamycin, >95%

Product Number: V030

CAS Number: 11006-76-1

Molecular Formula: $C_{28}H_{35}N_3O_7$ (for M1), $C_{43}H_{49}N_7O_{10}$ (for S1)

Molecular Weight: 525.6 (for M1); 823.9 (for S1)

Form: Solid

Appearance: White solid

Solubility: Sparingly soluble in DMSO and DMF

Source: Streptomyces virginiae

Storage Conditions: -20C

Description: Virginiamycin is a streptogramin, and a mixture of Virginiamycin M1 and

Virginiamycin S1. The commercial mixture is 75 % Virginiamycin M1 and 25 % Virginiamycin S1, along with less abundant S analogs. The mixture can be

used to reduce contaminating bacteria during yeast fermentation for bioethanol production. Virginiamycin is soluble in DMSO and DMF.

Mechanism of Action: Virginiamycin inhibits protein synthesis, targeting the 50S ribosome and

inducing a conformational change at the peptidyl transferase center. Protein

synthesis is inhibited in both actively growing and static bacterial cells.

Spectrum: Gram-positive bacteria, such as Lactobacillus spp.

Microbiology Applications Virginiamycin is used in bioproduction, specifically to reduce contaminating

bacteria when fermenting yeast for bioethanol production.

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