

Isoniazid PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name:	Isoniazid
Product Number:	1004
CAS Number:	54-85-3
Molecular Formula:	C ₆ H ₇ N ₃ O
Molecular Weight:	137.14
Appearance:	White Crystalline Powder
Source:	Water: very soluble
pH:	6.0-8.0
Melting Point:	170-173°C
Storage Conditions:	≤30°C
Description:	Isoniazid is a bactericidal and bacteriostatic against <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> , the causal agent of tuberculosis.
Mechanism of Action:	Isoniazid itself is not toxic to the bacterial cell, but acts as a prodrug and is activated by the Mycobacterial enzyme KatG, a catalase-peroxidase. This enzyme prevents the formation of unstable oxygen radicals. Once activated, isoniazid binds to and inactivates InhA, an enoyl-reductase involved in mycolic acid synthesis. The inhibition of cell wall lipid synthesis, depletion of nucleic acid pools and
	metabolic depression contribute to the potency and selectivity.
Spectrum:	Isoniazid targets <i>Mycoplasma</i> species including <i>M. tuberculosis, M. bovis,</i> and <i>M. kansasii.</i>
Microbiology Applications	A missense mutation within the Mycobacterial <i>inhA</i> gene was shown to confer resistance to Isoniazid in <i>M. smegmatis</i> and <i>M. bovis</i> . The wild-type <i>inhA</i> gene also conferred resistance when transferred on a multicopy plasmid vector to <i>M. smegmatis</i> and <i>M. bovis</i> BCG. (Banerjee et al, 1994).
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