

Paclitaxel (Taxol) PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Paclitaxel (Taxol)

Product Number: P045

CAS Number: 33069-62-4

Molecular Formula: $C_{47}H_{51}NO_{14}$

Molecular Weight: 853.91

Form: Powder

Solubility: Water: 50 mg/mL

Storage Conditions: 2-8°C

Description: Paclitaxel is a unique anti-tumor agent derived from the bark of the Pacific Yew

tree. Pacitaxel is sparingly soluble in ethanol, DMSO, and DMF.

Mechanism of Action: Paclitaxel prevents tumor growth by stabilizing microtubules during mitosis in

the G2/M growth phase leading to cell death.

Cancer Applications Paclitaxel can be used to study effects on actively dividing tumor cells.

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