

## Azlocillin Sodium PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Azlocillin Sodium

Product Number: A023

**CAS Number:** 37091-65-9

Molecular Formula:  $C_{20}H_{22}N_5NaO_6S$ 

Molecular Weight: 483.47

Form: Powder

**Appearance:** White or almost white powder

**Source:** Semi-synthetic

**pH**: 6.0 - 8.0 **Storage Conditions:** ≤30°C

**Description:** Azlocillin sodium is an extended spectrum β-lactam antibiotic derived from

ampicillin. Azlocillin sodium is freely soluble in aqueous solution (50 mg/mL).

**Mechanism of Action:** β-lactams 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  $\beta$ -lactams is commonly due to cells containing

plasmid encoded ESBLs (Extended Spectrum β-lactamases).

**Spectrum:** Members of the gram negative bacteria including *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*,

Haemophilus influenzae, and Escherichia coli are common targets of

azlocillin sodium.

Microbiology Applications Azlocillin sodium is commonly used in clinical in vitro microbiological

antimicrobial susceptibility tests (panels, discs, and MIC strips) against gram negative microbial isolates. Medical microbiologists use AST results to recommend antibiotic treatment options for infected patients. Representative

MIC values include:

Pseudomonas aeruginosa 0.5 μg/mL – 512 μg/mL

• Escherichia coli 0.03 μg/mL - 2 μg/mL

• For a complete list of azlocillin MIC values, click here.

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