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Product Information

Ampicillin Ready Made Solution

Catalog Number **A5354** Storage Temperature –20 °C

CAS RN 69-52-3

Synonym: D-(-)- α -aminobenzylpenicillin

Product Description

Molecular Formula: C₁₆H₁₈N₃NaO₄S

Molecular Weight: 371.39

Ampicillin is a β -lactam antibiotic with an amino group side chain attached to the penicillin structure. Ampicillin, which is a semi-synthetic derivative of penicillin, inhibits cell wall synthesis (peptidoglycan crosslinking) by inactivating transpeptidases on the inner surface of the bacterial cell membrane in Gram-negative and Gram-positive bacteria. Cleavage of the β -lactam ring of ampicillin by β -lactamase results in bacterial resistance to this antibiotic. 2,4

Ampicillin Ready Made Solution is a $0.2~\mu m$ filtered solution of 100 mg/ml of ampicillin, which remains liquid at its storage temperature (–20 $^{\circ}$ C).

Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

The product ships on dry ice and storage at –20 °C is recommended.

Procedure

The product can be added to an agar or culture medium, which has been autoclaved and cooled to 45-50 °C. Culture plates with ampicillin can be stored at 2-8 °C for up to two weeks.

The recommended concentration for antibacterial use in culture media is ~100 $\mu g/ml$ (a 1000-fold dilution of the product).

The recommended concentration for use in ampicillinresistance studies is 20–125 µg/ml.⁴

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