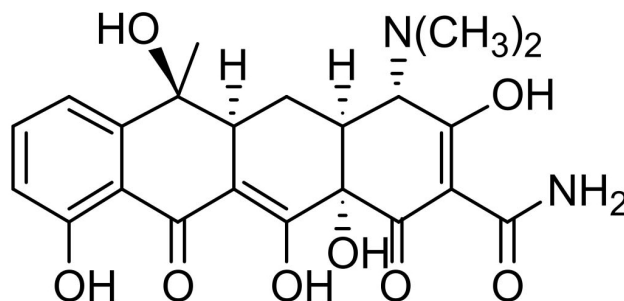


Tetracycline

Code No.: BIA-T1334

Pack sizes.: 5mg, 25mg



Synonyms:

Achromycin, Ambramycin

Specifications

CAS #	: 60-54-8
Molecular Formula	: C₂₂H₂₄N₂O₈
Molecular Weight	: 444.4
Source	: -
Appearance	: Yellow solid
Purity	: >98% by HPLC
Long Term Storage	: -20°C
Solubility	: Soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF or DMSO. Limited water solubility.

Application Notes

Tetracycline is a linear tetracyclic broad spectrum antibiotic first prepared chemically by dechlorination of chlortetracycline and subsequently isolated from several *Streptomyces* species. Tetracycline has broad spectrum antibacterial and antiprotozoan activity, and acts by binding to the 30S and 50S ribosomal subunits blocking protein synthesis. Tetracycline is a pigment and, like many pigments, is degraded by light, oxygen, trace metal ions and pH variations. The purity of tetracycline is often variable, with significant levels of degradation products.

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