# PRODUCT INFORMATION



# Cycloheximide

Item No. 14126

CAS Registry No.: 66-81-9

Formal Name: 4-[(2R)-2-[(1S,3S,5S)-3,5-

dimethyl-2-oxocyclohexyl]-2-

hydroxyethyl]-2,6-piperidinedione

Synonyms: Naramycin A, NSC 185

MF:  $C_{15}H_{23}NO_4$ FW: 281.4 ≥95% **Purity:** 

Supplied as: A crystalline solid

Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥4 years

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.



Cycloheximide is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the cycloheximide in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Cycloheximide is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol and DMSO. It is also soluble in water. The solubility of cycloheximide in ethanol, DMSO, and water is approximately 25 and 20 mg/ml, respectively. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

## Description

Cycloheximide is a glutarimide antibiotic produced by S. griseus that inhibits protein synthesis in eukaryotes (IC<sub>50</sub> = 5-50 µM) by interfering with translational elongation.<sup>1</sup> Its effects on protein synthesis can either induce or inhibit apoptosis depending on cell type.<sup>2</sup> Cycloheximide is widely used as a tool in molecular biology research for ribosome profiling and translational profiling as well as to determine the half-life of a protein.<sup>3,4</sup>

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WARNING
THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

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