# PRODUCT INFORMATION



# Albendazole

Item No. 23705

CAS Registry No.: 54965-21-8

Formal Name: N-[6-(propylthio)-1H-benzimidazol-2-

yl]-carbamic acid, methyl ester

Synonyms: ABZ, NSC 220008, SKF 62979

MF:  $C_{12}H_{15}N_3O_2S$ 

265.3 FW: **Purity:** ≥98%

UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : 217, 296 nm 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.

# **Laboratory Procedures**

Albendazole is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the albendazole in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Albendazole is soluble in the organic solvent DMSO at a concentration of approximately 10 mM.

## Description

Albendazole is an orally bioavailable benzimidazole anthelmintic that is active against a variety of helminths, including liver flukes, tapeworms, and roundworms. It eliminates Trichostrongylus in the fourth stomach of cattle and sheep when orally administered at doses ranging from 2.5 to 10 mg/kg as well as other species in the fourth stomach and the small and large intestine. Albendazole (0.05% in the diet) protects mice against lethal infection with A. suum larvae. It also inhibits growth of HT-29 human colorectal cancer cells (IC<sub>50</sub> = 0.12  $\mu$ M), halts the cell cycle at the G<sub>2</sub>/M phase, and induces apoptosis. In an HT-29 mouse xenograft model, it inhibits peritoneal tumor growth when administered intraperitoneally at a dose of 150 mg/kg but not when administered orally.<sup>2</sup> Albendazole inhibits mammalian tubulin polymerization and inhibits binding of [ ${}^{3}H$ ]mebendazole to H. contortus L3 larval tubulin ( $IC_{50}s = 6.9$  and  $0.21 \mu M$ , respectively).<sup>3</sup> Formulations containing albendazole have been used in the treatment of tapeworm infections and in a variety of nematode infections in livestock and pets.

### References

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

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