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# **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Catalog Number: 100183, 194527, 199520 Cycloheximide

Structure:

CH<sub>3</sub> Ω OH CH СĤ

Molecular Formula: C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>23</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> Formula Weight: 281.36 CAS #: 66-81-9

**Synonyms:** Acti-Dione; 3-[2-(3,5-Dimethyl-2-oxocyclohexyl)-2-hydroxyethyl] glutarimide; Naramycin A **Physical Description:** Grayish to yellowish gray crystalline powder or solution

## Recommended Storage: +4°C

**Solubility:** It is very soluble in chloroform, methanol, and acetone; moderately soluble in isopropanol, n-butanol and amyl acetate; very slightly soluble in carbon tetrachloride and the saturated hydrocarbons. Cycloheximide solubility in water is about 2% and the solutions are stable for several weeks at pH 3-5 which is the optimum range for stability. Activity is rapidly destroyed by alkaline solutions.

### Activity: Approximately 800 ug/mg

**Description:** Cycloheximide is an antibiotic which is very active against many molds, yeasts, and phytopathogenic fungi. It exhibits somewhat lower activity against bacteria and certain fungi. Control of various molds and fungi in gelatin-based photographic emulsions, photoengraving glues, and other light-sensitive products is suggested. The activity of cycloheximide against various organisms is given below.<sup>1,2</sup> Inhibits peptide synthesis in eukaryotic organisms but not in prokaryotes. Protein synthesis is blocked by the interaction of cycloheximide with the translocase enzyme. This interaction prohibits the translocation of messenger RNA on the cytosolic, 80S ribosomes without inhibiting organelle protein synthesis.<sup>3,9,10</sup>

The antibiotic activity is described below as micrograms per milliliter completely inhibiting growth for 72 hours.

Phytopathogenic Fungi		Bacteria	
Pythium debaryanum	20.0	Aerobacter aerogenes	> 1000.0
Sclerotinia fructicola	20.0	Bacillus mycoides	> 1000.0
Diplocarpon rosae	10.0	Bacillus subtilis	> 1000.0
Elsinoe veneta	40.0	Escherichia coli	> 1000.0
Gibberella saubinetii	20.0	Phytomonas campestris	> 1000.0
Physalopora tucumanensis	10.0	Proteus vulgaris	> 1000.0
Diaporthe citri	2.5	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	> 1000.0
Endothia parasitica	20.0	Salmonella schottmuelleri	> 1000.0
Gnomonia leptostyla	20.0	Staphylococcus aureus	> 1000.0
Gnomonia veneta	20.0	Streptococcus faecalis	> 1000.0
Guignardia aesculi	10.0	Streptococcus pyogenes	> 1000.0
Venturia inaequalis	10.0		
Ustilago tritici	0.125	Yeasts	
Ustilago zeae	10.0	Nematospora phaseoli	0.17
Cercospora apii	20.0	Pichia membranaefaciens	0.17
Heterosporium iridis	5.0	Saccharomyces carlsbergensis	0.17
Cladosporium fluvum	0.25	Saccharomyces ellipsoideus var. burgundy	0.17
Cladosporium paeoniae	10.0	Saccharomyces fragilis	0.17
Macrosporium sarcinaeforme	20.0	Saccharomyces pastorianus	0.17
Alternaria solani	40.0	Schwanniomyces occidentalis	0.17
Alternaria solani BTI	10.0	Sporobolomyces salmonicolor	0.17
Alternaria oleracea BTI	20.0	Torulaspora fermentati	0.17
Ramularia pastinaceae	100.0	Rhodotorula glutinis	0.31
Diplodia zeae	1.25	Hansenia apiculata	0.62

10.0 10.0 100.0 0.125 2.5 1.25
0.24
12.5
25.0
1000.0
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Hensenula anomala	2.5
Saccharomyces cerevisiae	10.0
Torula utilis	10.0
Asporomyces urae	25.0
Debaryomyces globosum	25.0
Schizosaccharomyces pombe	25.0
Endomyces magnusii	> 1000.0
Kloeckera apiculata	> 1000.0
Mycotorula roseo-corrallina	> 1000.0
Pityrosporum ovale	> 1000.0
Saccharomyces lactis	> 1000.0

Cycloheximide is also known to induce FAS/FAS Ligand apoptosis, and triggers apoptosis in HL-60 cells, T-cell hybridomas, Burkitt's lymphoma cells<sup>11</sup> in addition to a variety of other cell types. Cycloheximide will also delay or inhibit apoptosis induced by other agents. Cycloheximide is used in plant research to study disease resistance and as an ethylene stimulant, useful in studies involving fruit and leaf production.

Typical uses involve:

- Used in bacteriological media to isolate or count bacteria in the presence of yeast and molds;

- Used in protein synthesis in apoptosis<sup>4</sup>;
- Gene expression<sup>5,6</sup>;

– Glycogenolysis, gluconeogenesis and ureogenesis in isolated rat hepatocytes<sup>7</sup>;

Studies involving steroidogenesis<sup>8</sup>;

- Used in plant regulation and as a quality control measure by the food and beverage industry.

Catalog Number	Description	Size
100183	Cycloheximide	1 g 5 g 25 g
194527	Cycloheximide, cell culture reagent	1 g 5 g 25 g
199520	Cycloheximide solution - 100 mg/ml of DMSO, 0.2um filtered.	1 ml

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