

## Product Information

### APRAMYCIN SULFATE Sigma Prod. No. A-2024

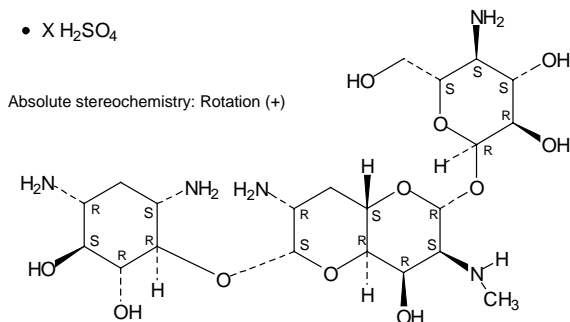
**CAS NUMBER:** 65710-07-8

#### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

Appearance: Faint yellow powder

Molecular formula:  $C_{21}H_{41}N_5O_{11} \cdot x H_2SO_4$

Molecular weight: 539.58 (free base)



#### DESCRIPTION:

Apramycin is an aminoglycoside antibiotic produced by a strain of *Streptomyces tenebrarius*. The compound is used as the sulfate in veterinary practice.<sup>1,2</sup>

#### STABILITY / STORAGE AS SUPPLIED:

Store desiccated at 2-8°C.

#### SOLUBILITY / SOLUTION STABILITY:

Aqueous solutions at 25 mg/mL are faint yellow. No solution stability data are currently available.

#### APPLICATIONS:

1. An oral composition of 20 g apramycin sulfate, 1 g pyridoxal HCl, 10 g sodium alginate, 10 g glycine and about 30 powdered apples were fed to calves and swine in order to treat diarrhea. Pyridoxal HCl was added to enhance the bactericidal activity of apramycin sulfate.<sup>3</sup>
2. Under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act, feed containing 150 g apramycin per ton may be used to control colibacillosis.<sup>4</sup>
3. Apramycin is a potent inhibitor of protein synthesis in bacteria *in vivo* and *in vitro*. To a limited extent, it induces translation errors in cell-free systems from *Escherichia coli* supplemented with poly(U). Apramycin also inhibits the translocation step of protein synthesis *in vivo* (e.g., in protoplasts of *Bacillus megaterium*), and *in vitro* (e.g., in cell-free systems from *E. coli*). This may be the drug's primary inhibitory effect.<sup>5</sup>

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**APPLICATIONS:** (continued)

4. Apramycin sulfate is an aminocyclitol antibiotic whose antibacterial activity has been tested in comparison with neomycin and streptomycin. Of the strains tested, 99% were sensitive to apramycin sulfate, compared to 93% for neomycin and 48% for streptomycin. *In vitro* resistance development to apramycin sulfate was gradual.<sup>5</sup>

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