

Doripenem hydrate PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Doripenem hydrate

Product Number: D004

CAS Number: 364622-82-2 (hydrate); 148016-81-3 (anhydrous)

Molecular Formula: $C_{15}H_{24}N_4O_6S_2 \cdot H_2O$

Molecular Weight: 438.52 Form: Powder

Solubility: sparingly soluble in aqueous solution

Melting Point: >186 °C
Storage Conditions: 2-8 °C

Description: Doripenem hydrate is a β -lactam antibiotic of the carbapenem class. It is

effective against extended spectrum beta-lactamase (ESBL)

producing *Enterobacteriaceae*, a microbe resistant to many first line betalactam antibiotics and certain cephalosporins. Doripenem hydrate is sparingly

soluble in aqueous solution.

Mechanism of Action: β-lactams interfere with PBP (penicillin binding protein) activity involved in the

final phase of peptidoglycan synthesis. PBP's are enzymes which catalyze a

pentaglycine crosslink between alanine and lysine residues providing additional strength to the cell wall. Without a pentaglycine crosslink, the integrity of the cell wall is severely compromised and ultimately leads to cell lysis and death. Resistance to β -lactams is commonly due to cells containing plasmid encoded β -lactamases; however, carbapenems, including doripenem,

are highly resistant to β-lactamases.

Spectrum: Doripenem hydrate is a broad spectrum antibiotic targeting a wide range of

Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria including *Pseudomonas*

aeruginosa.

Microbiology Applications Doripenem is commonly used in clinical in vitro microbiological antimicrobial

susceptibility tests (panels, discs, and MIC strips) against Gram-positive and Gram-negative microbial isolates. Medical microbiologists use AST results to recommend antibiotic treatment options for infected patients. Representative

MIC values include:

Bacteroides fragilis 0.125 μg/mL – 8 μg/mL

- Pseudomonas aeruginosa 8 μg/mL 32 μg/mL
- For a complete list of doripenem MIC values, click here.

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