

INFORMATION LEAFLET Ph. Eur. Reference Standard

POLYMYXIN B SULFATE FOR MICROBIOLOGICAL ASSAY CRS batch 4

1. **Identification**

Catalogue code: Y0000355

2. **Scientific Information**

2.1 Intended use

Reference Standard for laboratory tests as prescribed in the European Pharmacopoeia only.
Established for use with the monograph(s): 203, 20702.

2.2 Analytical information related to intended use, when applicable

The "as is" potency is: 221 549 IU per vial for microbiological assay for use in monograph 0203 and in general chapter 2.7.2.

2.3 Uncertainty of the assigned value, when applicable

The uncertainty of the assigned value is not stated since it is considered to be negligible in relation to the defined limits of the method-specific assays for which the reference standard is used. Please also refer to Ph. Eur. chapter 5.12.

2.4 Validity

Ph. Eur. RS are periodically tested to ensure their continuous fitness for purpose. For each valid Ph. Eur. RS, a Batch Validity Statement at the time of use can be downloaded and printed from the EDQM website (Reference Standards Database).

2.5 Instructions for use

The container should not be opened until required for use. Allow the closed container to equilibrate at ambient temperature before opening to avoid uptake of moisture. This substance has been freeze-dried and is known to be hygroscopic. Ph. Eur. RS are for immediate use. Once the container has been opened, its entire content must be used immediately. Any further storage and re-use are not warranted.

3. **Storage conditions**

In the original container at $-20^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$, protected from light. Re-instate promptly upon receipt.

4. **Safety**

For scientific research, development and analysis only. Handle in accordance with good occupational hygiene, safety and laboratory practices and take precautions to avoid exposure. More information is available at the EDQM website (Reference Standards Database): Safety Data Sheet for hazardous chemicals and Safety Data Statement for other materials.

5. **Shipping conditions**

Each Ph. Eur. RS is shipped under conditions that preserve its suitability for use and comply with the relevant regulations. For more details see EDQM website (Reference Standards Database).

6. **Warranties, Liabilities and responsibility**

- Safety

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8. Citation

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9. Adoption

The suitability for intended use has been officially adopted by the European Pharmacopoeia Commission.

10. Signature

This document is approved by:

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