

# **D-Panthenol/Dexpanthenol**

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**CAS No. / EINECS** 81-13-0 / 201-327-3

**CN Code** 2936 2400

INCI/CTFA Panthenol

**SPECIFICATION\*** 

**Chemical structure** 

HO H H OH

Chemical formula C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>4</sub> Molecular weight 205.3

**Characters** colorless or slightly yellowish, viscous hygroscopic liquid

**Identification** Specific optical rotation

TLC Test

Copper sulphate test

**Appearance of solution** clear and not more intensively colored than reference solution

**pH-value of solution** not more than 10.5

Specific optical rotation ( $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ ) +29° to +32°

**3-Aminopropanol (TLC)** equivalent to not more than 0.5%

**Heavy metals** not more than 20ppm

Water content not more than 1.0%

**Sulphated ash** not more than 0.1%

**Assay** 98.0% to 101.0%

 $\hbox{*meets the quality requirements of the current Ph. Eur. monograph for Dexpanthenol}\\$ 

# Microbiological limits

Total aerobic microbial count: max. 100cfu/g
 Total yeast and moulds count: max. 10cfu/g

# Storage and packaging

Expiry date

in unopened original packaging and under adequate storage conditions minimum 2 years after production date

Storage condition

store in tight container at room temperature (JP: 1°C to 30°C)

Crystallization

long storage at low temperature may cause crystallization. This is not a quality problem. D-Panthenol liquefies when heated at 65°C for several hours

 Standard packaging 20kg PE pail

#### **REACh**

D-Panthenol has been registered (registration no.: 01-2119953737-24-0004). The final REACh registration considers the uses recommended by COLIPA.

#### **Formulating**

D-Panthenol is a highly viscous, very water soluble material. To make it easy to handle it could be mixed with warm water, but also exposed to heat in water bath. Exposure to heat exceeding 70°C-75°C may cause racemization. D-Panthenol is stable in neutral or less acidic aqueous solution (ph 4-6), less stable in acidic or alkaline aqueous solution by hydrolytic cleavage.

The recommended usage level of D-Panthenol is 0.3% to 5.0%.

# **Toxicological Data**

The Expert Panel released the Final Report on the Safety Assessment of Pantothenic Acid stating that Panthenol is safe as presently used in cosmetic products.

A CIR (cosmetic ingredient review) report is available.

### **Physiological function**

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- in nature only the biological D-form is present, the L-form has no vitamin activity
- conversion from Pantothenic Acid to Coenzyme A in the body

# Efficacy of D-Panthenol in cosmetic products\*

- stimulates the wound-healing
- very good moisturizing properties
- anti-inflammatory and anti-irritation
- humectant for hair
- strong deposition onto the cuticula, makes the hair easier to comb, glossy hair
- deep penetration into the hair cortex, strengthens the hair shaft
- penetrates the scalp and provide the hair roots with Pantothenic Acid
- increase the water retention of the keratin structure of the nails
- improves flexibility and stability of nails

\*literature data Producer: XINFA Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

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