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## Product Data Sheet

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Product Name: Chitosan (Deacetylated chitin)

Cat. No.: GC34082

**Chemical Properties**

Cas. No. 9012-76-4

SMILES O[C@H]1[C@H](O)[C@@H](N)[C@H](O[C@H]2[C@H](O)[C@@H](N)[C@H](O)[C@H]3[C@H](O)[C@@H](N)[C@H](O)O[C@@H]3CO)O[C@@H]2CO)O[C@@H]1CO.[n]

Formula  $(C_6H_{13}NO_5)_n$  M.Wt 161.16(monomer)

Solubility Water : 0.67 mg/mL (ultrasonic and adjust pH to 3 with HCl); Water : < 0.1 mg/mL (insoluble); DMSO : < 1 mg/mL (insoluble or slightly soluble) Storage Store at -20°C

General tips For obtaining a higher solubility , please warm the tube at 37 °C and shake it in the ultrasonic bath for a while. Stock solution can be stored below -20°C for several months.

Shipping Condition Evaluation sample solution : ship with blue ice All other available size: ship with RT , or blue ice upon request.

Structure Chitosan (Deacetylated chitin)**Background**

Chitosan is a natural polycationic linear polysaccharide derived from chitin.

Chitosans are recognized as versatile biomaterials because of their non-toxicity, low allergenicity, biocompatibility and biodegradability. Chitosan is reported to have other biological properties, such as antitumor, antimicrobial, and antioxidant activities. It can be used in water treatment, wound-healing materials, pharmaceutical excipient or drug carrier, obesity treatment and as a scaffold for tissue engineering[1]. Antimicrobial activity of chitosan has been demonstrated against many bacteria, filamentous fungi and yeasts. Chitosan has wide spectrum of activity and high killing rate against Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria, but lower toxicity toward mammalian cells[2]. Chitosan exhibits antitumor activity against different types of cancer. For example, chitosan decreases adhesion of primary melanoma A375 cell line and decreases

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proliferation of primary melanoma SKMEL28 cell line, it has potent pro-apoptotic effects against RPMI7951, a metastatic melanoma cell line[3]. Chitosan and its derivatives act as antioxidants by scavenging oxygen radicals such as hydroxyl, superoxide, alkyl as well as highly stable DPPH radicals in vitro[4].

Chitosan treatment dramatically increases lifespan and inhibits tumor metastasis especially in treatment groups of the low-molecular weight compound[5]. Chitosan has some apparent treatment effects on rat PCP by reducing HSP70 mRNA expression and lung inflammation, increasing the concentrations of IL-10 and IFN- $\gamma$  as well as CD4(+) T-lymphocyte numbers, reducing the CD8(+) T-lymphocyte numbers and the concentration of TNF- $\alpha$  and inducing significant ultrastructural damage to *P. carinii*[6].

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