# PRODUCT INFORMATION



# Busulfan

Item No. 14843

CAS Registry No.: 55-98-1

Formal Name: 1,4-dimethanesulfonate 1,4-butanediol

Synonyms: Busulphan, Mielosan, Milecitan,

Myeloleukon, Mylecytan, Myleran,

NCI C01592, NSC 750

MF:  $C_6H_{14}O_6S_2$ FW: 246.3 **Purity:** ≥98%

Supplied as: A crystalline solid

Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥4 years

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

## **Laboratory Procedures**

Busulfan is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the busulfan in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Busulfan is soluble in organic solvents such as DMSO and dimethyl formamide. The solubility of busulfan in these solvents is approximately 16.7 mg/ml.

Busulfan is sparingly soluble in a queous buffers. For maximum solubility in a queous buffers, busulfan should first bedissolved in DMSO and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Busulfan has a solubility of approximately 0.5 mg/ml in a 1:1 solution of DMSO:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

#### Description

Busulfan is an alkyl sulfonate that acts as an alkylating antineoplastic agent.<sup>1</sup> It forms both intra- and interstrand crosslinks on DNA.<sup>2-3</sup> In mammals, busulfan causes profound and prolonged reduction in the generation of hematopoietic progenitors without significantly affecting lymphocyte levels or humoral antibody responses.4

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WARNING
THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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