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Your fast track through regulatory challenges.

Ensuring the compliance of your pharma and biopharma products involves the compilation of a vast amount of data, which can be time and resource intensive. Our Emprove® Program helps you meet the latest regulatory requirements for risk assessment and offers assistance in developing more robust processes.

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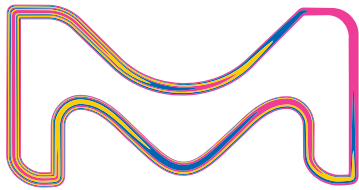
Cyclodextrin HPB EMPROVE® EXPERT Ph.Eur., NF

Cat. No.	Pack Size	Packaging
1.42020.0050	50 g	Plastic bottle in corrugated box
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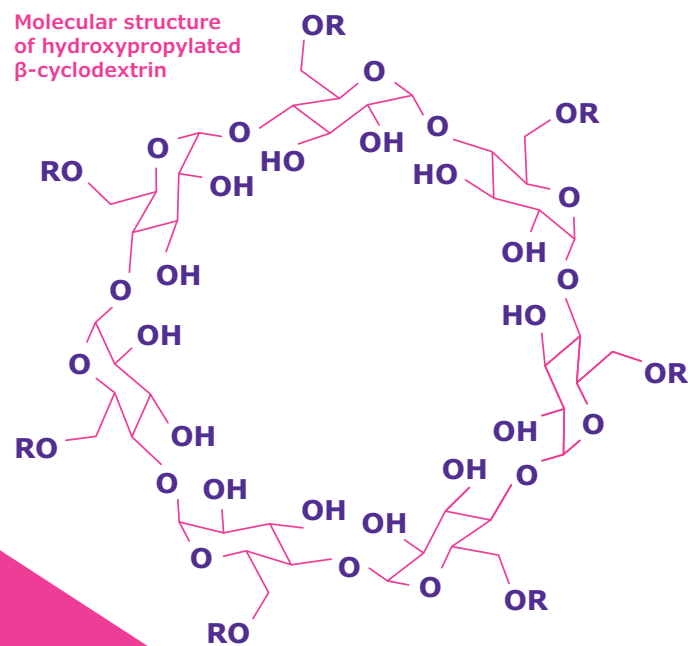
excipients in both pharmaceutical and biopharmaceutical formulations. Due to their unique characteristics, cyclodextrins can exert a broad range of functions such as protection of compounds against chemical degradation, reduction of protein aggregation, increase of drug solubility as well as masking of odors and tastes.

Our hydroxypropylated beta-cyclodextrin (Cyclodextrin HPB) will help you ease your mind, regardless of your desired application or dosage form. It is part of our Emprove® Expert portfolio, specifically optimized to address the demands of high-risk applications.

Insufficient stability and low solubility are frequent hurdles during pharmaceutical development as they directly impair drug bioavailability and, in consequence, the efficacy and success of the final drug product. Aqueous formulations, e.g. for oral or parenteral application, bear the risk of chemical degradation for compounds prone to hydrolysis or oxidation. In addition, as newly developed compounds are becoming more and more complex and hydrophobic, the need for approaches to overcome both stability and solubility issues is continuously increasing.

Cyclodextrins can help to overcome these hurdles. First discovered as early as in the 19th century, these natural molecules have become a frequently used type of

Molecular structure
of hydroxypropylated
β-cyclodextrin



HP-β-CD
(R=CH₂-CH(OH)-CH₂-)

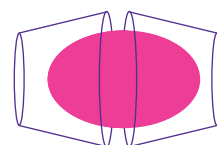
Benefits

- Increases solubility and stability
- Enhances bioavailability
- Masks odors and tastes
- Reduces aggregation behavior of biologic APIs
- Emprove® Expert product with low endotoxin levels for high-risk applications

Mode of Action

Cyclodextrins are cyclic oligosaccharides derived from natural starch. The α-1,4-D-glucopyranoside units are arranged in the form of a hollow cone with a hydrophilic exterior and a hydrophobic cavity. Within this cavity, cyclodextrins can “complex” hydrophobic, poorly water-soluble active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs), forming an API-cyclodextrin inclusion complex. This “host-guest” interaction is reversible, and the API is easily released once administered to the body.

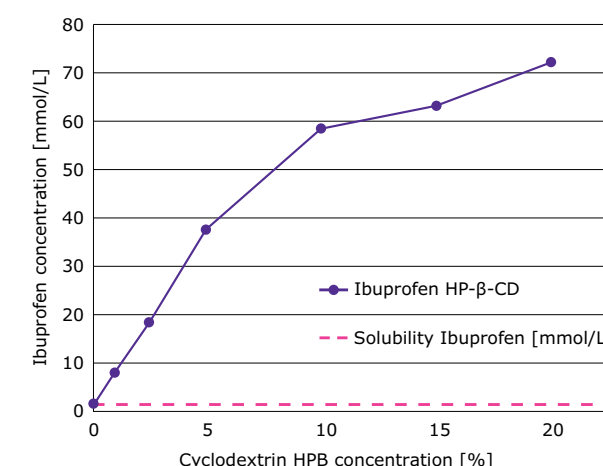
API-cyclodextrin
complex with the API
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Increased API Solubility

API-cyclodextrin complexes usually show strongly improved solubility, thus rendering our Cyclodextrin HPB an excellent choice for bioavailability enhancement of poorly water-soluble APIs. As shown in the figure on the right, solubility of the model API Ibuprofen was significantly increased if complexed with Cyclodextrin HPB. At an API:cyclodextrin ratio of 1:10, Ibuprofen solubility was approx. 80 times higher in comparison to pure API.

Solubility of Ibuprofen as a function of Cyclodextrin HPB concentration. Experimental conditions: Incubation of 100 mmol/L Ibuprofen with different concentrations of Cyclodextrin HPB (0–20 %) at pH 5.0 (50 mmol/L acetate buffer) for 24 h at 25 °C; centrifugation at 16,000 rpm; determination of Ibuprofen concentration in supernatant by HPLC.



Improved API Stability

Cyclodextrin HPB is also an excellent option for increasing the stability of your API. As the encapsulated parts of the API are better protected against hydrolysis or oxidation, chemical degradation is reduced. In addition, the API-cyclodextrin complex can prevent API-excipient as well as API-API interactions, therefore reducing aggregation behavior of biologic APIs.

Broad Application Range

Due to their shielding effects, cyclodextrins can help minimizing or even preventing gastrointestinal and ocular irritation. They can be applied to reduce undesired characteristics of the API, such as unpleasant taste or odor, or toxicity. In addition, cyclodextrins can also be used to convert liquid or oily APIs into a free-flowing, solid powder which can then be processed into tablets.

The application of Cyclodextrin HPB is not limited to a specific formulation type or administration route. In fact, the application range of this product is very wide: you can use it in liquid, semi-solid and solid formulations, and marketed products exist intended for oral, dermal, rectal, ocular and parenteral application.

Safety and Purity

Cyclodextrin HPB has been used in pharmaceutical products for decades and is cited in the FDA's list of Inactive Pharmaceutical Ingredients. Numerous safety reports as well as dosing thresholds for different application routes exist. Parenterally administered cyclodextrins are usually renally excreted intact without metabolism and oral availability of Cyclodextrin HPB is reported as very low. In fact, Cyclodextrin HPB can be applied to reduce adverse effects of APIs and, thus, improve safety of the final dosage form.

