



>>Entry Name: Asparaginase, 9CI, USAN

Synonym(s): Crisantaspase, BAN. Colaspase. Asparagine amidohydrolase. Crasnitin. Elspar. Kidrolase. Leucogen. Leunase. MK 965. NSC 109229. Re 82-TAD-15. Asnase. Erwinase

CAS Registry Number: 9015-68-3

Biological Source: Antineoplastic enzyme isol. from *E. coli*

Use/Importance: Antileukaemic agent

Physical Description: Cryst. powder

Optical Rotation: $[\alpha]_D^{20} -30$ (H₂O)

Solubility: Sol. H₂O

Hazard & Toxicity: Adverse human systemic effects reported when used therapeutically, incl. hypersensitivity reactions, hepatic effects and pancreatitis. Exp. reprod. and teratogenic effects. LD₅₀ (rat, ipr) 8204 mg/kg

Fluka: 11187

Sigma: A4517

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