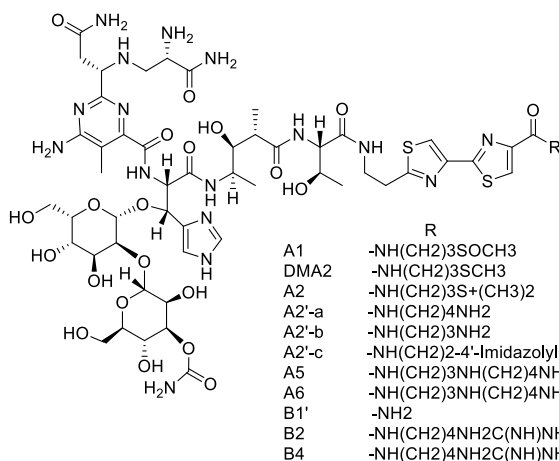


## Bleomycin complex

Code No.: **BIA-B1203**

Pack sizes: **10 mg, 50 mg**



Synonyms : Blenoxane, Bleo

## Specifications

CAS #	: <b>9041-93-4</b>
Molecular Formula	: <b>C<sub>55</sub>H<sub>84</sub>N<sub>17</sub>O<sub>21</sub>S<sub>3</sub> (for A<sub>2</sub>)</b>
Molecular Weight	: <b>1415.6 (for A<sub>2</sub>)</b>
Source	: <b><i>Streptomyces</i> sp.</b>
Appearance	: <b>Off-white solid</b>
Purity	: <b>&gt;98% by HPLC</b>
Long Term Storage	: <b>-20°C</b>
Solubility	: <b>Soluble in water and methanol, with moderate ethanol solubility.</b>

## Application Notes

Bleomycin is a complex of 11 glycopeptide antitumor antibiotics originally isolated from *Streptomyces verticillus* in 1972. The dominant components of the complex are bleomycin A<sub>2</sub> and B<sub>2</sub>, which typically represent >90% of the total weight. Bleomycins have found clinical application in the treatment of a range of tumors. Bleomycins act by intercalation of DNA and RNA. In the presence of oxygen and metal ions, notably copper and iron, bleomycins form a pseudo-enzyme that induces DNA cleavage.

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