

# Clean BetaBio

#### Overview

- Clean BetaBio is produced from CO<sub>2</sub> extract of hops. It contains predominantly the natural beta acids fraction of hops extract formulated in alkaline propylene glycol.
- Beta acids are well-known to have potent anti-microbial properties and are particularly active against gram-positive bacteria and certain algae.
- Clean BetaBio is typically added to materials or process streams that require antibacterial protection.
- Both beta acids and propylene glycol are classified as GRAS.

#### Structure of Beta acids

 $R = -CH - (CH_3)_2$  $R = -CH_2 - CH - (CH_3)_2$ 

 $R = -CH(CH_3)-CH_2-CH_3$ 

(Colupulone) (Lupulone) (Adlupulone)

# ❖ Specification

Description: A brown clear solution containing the potassium salts of

hop beta acids

• Beta acids: 10 – 45 % (± 0.5)

• Propylene glycol: 20 (± 15)

• pH in water: 8.5 - 12.0 (± 0.5)

Viscosity: 300 - 1000 mPas (at 20°C / 68 °F)

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# Properties

#### Appearance

A clear brown liquid at room temperature, becoming more mobile when heated. Remains fluid even at 0°C.

### Organoleptic Properties

Pleasant floral aroma. Bitter taste with floral overtones when diluted 1000 x into water.

#### Stability

When stored in the original unopened containers **Clean BetaBio** is very stable. Use any opened container as soon as possible.

#### Quality

All Hopsteiner® products are produced in plants accredited to internationally accepted quality standards. **Clean BetaBio** is certified as Kosher, including for Passover, GRAS, Food Grade and is not an antibiotic.

# ❖ Packaging

**Clean BetaBio** is regularly available in 20 kilo pails (HDPE) or 200 kilo drums (PP). Other pack sizes (including totes) are available on request.

#### ❖ Product Use

We recommend that **Clean BetaBio** be used in its undiluted form. It is not difficult to pump and is compatible with the usual materials used in food processing plants.

#### Dosage

Actual dosage will depend on the application, but typically 5 to 10 ppm of **Clean BetaBio** is effective as an antibacterial agent.

### Application

Clean BetaBio may be dosed directly into process streams or added to solid or semisolid products in a suitable blender. When dosing into pipelines or vessels it is best to ensure that there is vigorous mixing to disperse the product quickly. This can be achieved by injecting into the bulk fluid at high pressure through a suitable nozzle or small bore pipe so that a high degree of turbulence is generated.

#### Storage

Clean BetaBio has excellent storage stability and may be kept for at least six years at ambient temperature in unopened, original containers. Bulk storage in heated tanks (up to 40°C) is also possible, provided the product is not directly exposed to air and used within about 3 months.

#### Safety

Clean BetaBio should be handled with due care, especially to prevent contact with the eyes. Any contamination of the skin should be washed off with soap and water. If Clean BetaBio gets into the eyes, irrigate with excess water until clear and seek immediate medical attention.

For full safety information, please refer to the relevant Hopsteiner® safety data sheet.

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## **❖ Supplementary Information**

#### Beta acids

Beta acids are natural, major constituents of hops and are present in amounts ranging from about 2-12 % according to variety. They are soluble in organic solvents and are readily extracted by liquid or supercritical carbon dioxide.  $CO_2$  extracts produced commercially for use in brewing typically contain from 15-35 % beta acids, of which there are three major homologs - colupulone, lupulone and adlupulone. All three are active as anti-bacterial agents.

## ❖ Analytical Methods

#### Concentration of Bitter Substances

Beta acids can be measured using the following methods:

- HPLC according to Analytica-EBC 7.8 with the current ICE standard
- UV spectrophotometric analysis acc. to ASBC Hops-14

# ❖ Technical Support

We are pleased to offer assistance and advice on the entire Hopsteiner® product range:

- Information on all relevant analytical procedures
- Safety Data Sheets (SDS)
- Special analytical services

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