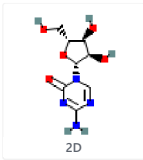
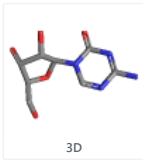




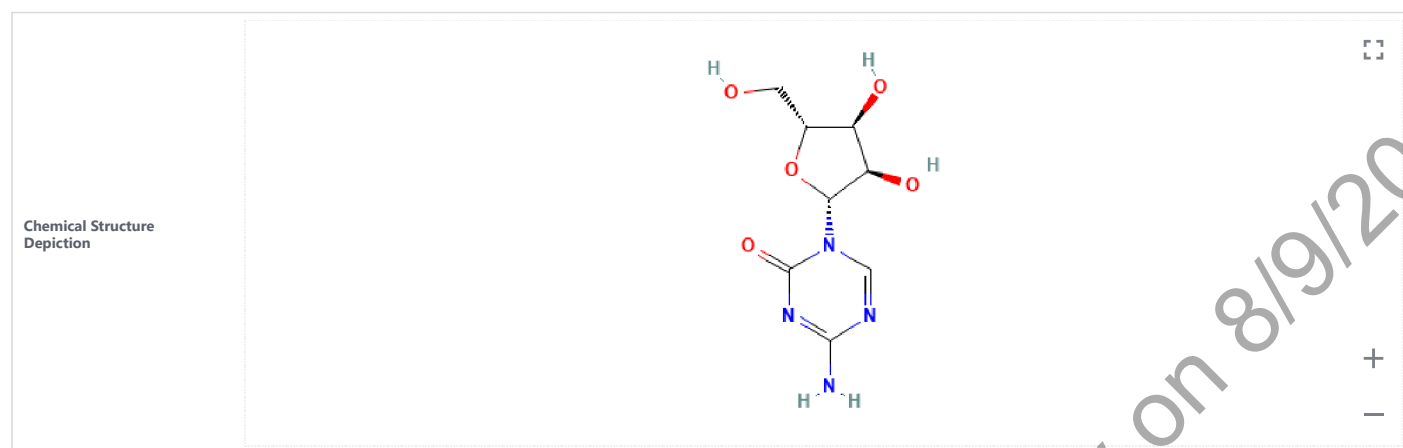
# Azacitidine

PubChem CID	9444
Structure	<div>   </div> <p>2D 3D</p> <p><a href="#">Find Similar Structures</a></p>
Chemical Safety	<div>   </div> <p>Irritant Health Hazard</p> <p><a href="#">Laboratory Chemical Safety Summary (LCSS) Datasheet</a></p>
Molecular Formula	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>5</sub>
Synonyms	5-azacytidine Azacitidine 320-67-2 Ladakamycin Azacytidine <a href="#">More...</a>
Molecular Weight	244.20
Dates	Modify Create 2022-08-05 2004-09-16
<p>Azacitidine is a <a href="#">cytosine</a> analogue and antineoplastic agent used in the therapy of myelodysplastic syndromes. Azacitidine is associated with a low rate of transient serum enzyme elevations during therapy and has only rarely been implicated in cases of clinically apparent acute liver injury with jaundice.</p> <p>► <a href="#">LiverTox</a></p> <p>Azacitidine is a pyrimidine nucleoside analogue of <a href="#">cytidine</a> with antineoplastic activity. Azacitidine is incorporated into DNA, where it reversibly inhibits DNA methyltransferase, thereby blocking DNA methylation. Hypomethylation of DNA by azacitidine may activate tumor suppressor genes silenced by hypermethylation, resulting in an antitumor effect. This agent is also incorporated into RNA, thereby disrupting normal RNA function and impairing tRNA <a href="#">cytosine</a>-5-methyltransferase activity. (NCI04)</p> <p>► <a href="#">NCI Thesaurus (NCIt)</a></p> <p>Azacitidine is a Nucleoside Metabolic Inhibitor. The mechanism of action of azacitidine is as a Nucleic Acid Synthesis Inhibitor.</p> <p>► <a href="#">FDA Pharm Classes</a></p>	

## 1 Structures



### 1.1 2D Structure



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### 1.2 3D Conformer



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2 Biologic Description



IUPAC Condensed	z5Cyt-Ribf
Sequence	N
HELM	RNA1{R([*n1cnc(nc1=O)N  \$ _R1,,,,,,;\$ ])}\$\$\$\$
IUPAC	5-aza-cytidine

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### 3 Names and Identifiers



#### 3.1 Computed Descriptors



##### 3.1.1 IUPAC Name



4-amino-1-[(2R,3R,4S,5R)-3,4-dihydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)oxolan-2-yl]-1,3,5-triazin-2-one

Computed by Lexichem TK 2.7.0 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)

► PubChem

##### 3.1.2 InChI



InChI=1S/C8H12N4O5/c9-7-10-2-12(8(16)11-7)6-5(15)4(14)3(1-13)17-6/h2-6,13-15H,1H2,(H2,9,11,16)/t3-4-,5-,6-/m1/s1

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##### 3.1.3 InChIKey



NMUSYJAQQFHJEW-KVTDHHQDSA-N

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##### 3.1.4 Canonical SMILES



C1=NC(=NC(=O)N1C2C(C(C(O2)CO)O)O)N

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► PubChem

##### 3.1.5 Isomeric SMILES



C1=NC(=NC(=O)N1[C@H]2[C@@H]([C@@H]([C@H]([C@H](O2)CO)O)O)N

Computed by OEChem 2.3.0 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)

► PubChem

#### 3.2 Molecular Formula



C8H12N4O5

► CAMEO Chemicals; PubChem

#### 3.3 Other Identifiers



##### 3.3.1 CAS



320-67-2

► CAMEO Chemicals; CAS Common Chemistry; ChemIDplus; DrugBank; DTP/NCI; EPA DSSTox; European Chemicals Agency (ECHA); Hazardous Substances Data Bank (HSDB); Human Metabolome Database (HMDB)

##### 3.3.2 European Community (EC) Number



206-280-2

► European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)

##### 3.3.3 NSC Number



758186

► DTP/NCI

##### 3.3.4 UNII



M801H13NRU

► FDA/SPL Indexing Data

## 3.3.5 DSSTox Substance ID



DTXSID9020116

[▶ EPA DSSTox](#)

## 3.3.6 Wikidata



Q416451

[▶ Wikidata](#)

## 3.3.7 NCI Thesaurus Code



C288

[▶ NCI Thesaurus \(NCIt\)](#)

## 3.3.8 RXCUI



1251

[▶ NLM RxNorm Terminology](#)

## 3.4 Synonyms



## 3.4.1 MeSH Entry Terms



5 Azacytidine  
5-Azacytidine  
Azacitidine  
Azacytidine  
NSC 102816  
NSC-102816  
NSC102816  
Vidaza

[▶ Medical Subject Headings \(MeSH\)](#)

## 3.4.2 Depositor-Supplied Synonyms



5-azacytidine	Azacitidina [INN-Spanish]	M801H13NRU	U-18,496
Azacitidine	NSC-102816	4-amino-1-((2R,3R,4S,5R)-3,4-dihydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)tetrahydrofuran-2-yl)-1,3,5-triazin-2(1H)-one	CCRIS 60
320-67-2	C8H12N4O5	4-Amino-1-(beta-D-ribofuranosyl)-1,3,5-triazin-2(1H)-one	SMR0008572
Ladakamycin	NSC 102816	MFCD00006539	Vidaza (TN)
Azacytidine	U-18496	4-amino-1-[(2R,3R,4S,5R)-3,4-dihydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)oxolan-2-yl]-1,3,5-triazin-2-one	HSDB 6879
Vidaza	4-Amino-1-beta-D-ribofuranosyl-1,3,5-triazin-2(1H)-one	4-amino-1-[(2R,3R,4S,5R)-3,4-dihydroxy-5-(hydroxymethyl)oxolan-2-yl]-1,2-dihydro-1,3,5-triazin-2-one	5-aza-CR
Mylosar	UNII-M801H13NRU	WR-183027	SR-01000075
5-azacytidine	NSC102816	NCGC00090851-04	EINECS 206-1
Azacitidinum	5AzaC	DSSTox_CID_116	BRN 062046
Azacitidina	4-Amino-1-beta-D-ribofuranosyl-1,3,5-triazin-2(1H)-one	U 18496	Onureg
Azacitidinum [INN-Latin]	Antibiotic U 18496	DSSTox_RID_75378	Azacitidine (
5-AZAC	CHEBI:2038	DSSTox_GSID_20116	Azacitidine [I

[▶ PubChem](#)

## 4 Chemical and Physical Properties



### 4.1 Computed Properties



Property Name	Property Value	Reference
Molecular Weight	244.20	Computed by PubChem 2.1 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
XLogP3	-2.2	Computed by XLogP3 3.0 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Hydrogen Bond Donor Count	4	Computed by Cactvs 3.4.8.18 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Hydrogen Bond Acceptor Count	5	Computed by Cactvs 3.4.8.18 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Rotatable Bond Count	2	Computed by Cactvs 3.4.8.18 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Exact Mass	244.08076950	Computed by PubChem 2.1 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Monoisotopic Mass	244.08076950	Computed by PubChem 2.1 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Topological Polar Surface Area	141 Å <sup>2</sup>	Computed by Cactvs 3.4.8.18 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Heavy Atom Count	17	Computed by PubChem
Formal Charge	0	Computed by PubChem
Complexity	384	Computed by Cactvs 3.4.8.18 (PubChem release 2021.05.07)
Isotope Atom Count	0	Computed by PubChem
Defined Atom Stereocenter Count	4	Computed by PubChem
Undefined Atom Stereocenter Count	0	Computed by PubChem
Defined Bond Stereocenter Count	0	Computed by PubChem
Undefined Bond Stereocenter Count	0	Computed by PubChem
Covalently-Bonded Unit Count	1	Computed by PubChem
Compound Is Canonicalized	Yes	Computed by PubChem (release 2021.05.07)

► PubChem

### 4.2 Experimental Properties



#### 4.2.1 Physical Description



5-azacytidine is a white crystalline powder. (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► CAMEO Chemicals

Solid

► Human Metabolome Database (HMDB)

#### 4.2.2 Color/Form



Crystals from methanol

Budavari, S. (ed.). The Merck Index - An Encyclopedia of Chemicals, Drugs, and Biologicals. Whitehouse Station, NJ: Merck and Co., Inc., 1996., p. 153

► Hazardous Substances Data Bank (HSDB)

#### 4.2.3 Melting Point



442 to 446 °F (decomposes) (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► CAMEO Chemicals

229 °C

PhysProp

► DrugBank

229.0 °C

► EPA DSSTox

228-230 °C (decomposes)

Aldrich; Aldrich Handbook of Fine Chemicals and Laboratory Equipment. 2000-2001. Milwaukee, WI: Aldrich Chem Co. p. 132 (2000)

► Hazardous Substances Data Bank (HSDB)

229°C

► Human Metabolome Database (HMDB)

#### 4.2.4 Solubility



>36.6 [ug/mL]

► [Burnham Center for Chemical Genomics](#)

5 to 10 mg/mL at 70° F (NTP, 1992)

*National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.*

► [CAMEO Chemicals](#)

89000 mg/L

► [DrugBank](#)

1.21e+01 g/L

► [Human Metabolome Database \(HMDB\)](#)

DMSO 52.7 (mg/mL)

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Distilled H2O 13.7-14.0 (mg/mL)

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

0.1 N HCL 27.7-28.0 (mg/mL)

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

0.1 N NaOH 42.0-43.8 (mg/mL)

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

35% [Ethyl alcohol](#) 14.2-15.0 (mg/mL)

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

#### 4.2.5 LogP



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► [DrugBank](#)

-2.17 (LogP)

*SANGSTER (1994)*

► [EPA DSSTox](#)

-3.5

► [Human Metabolome Database \(HMDB\)](#)

#### 4.2.6 Stability/Shelf Life



Intact vials should be stored under refrigeration & are stable for a least 4 yr. Although the drug is stable for 3 yr at room temp, refrigeration is recommended because degradation may result at elevated temperatures. The constituted soln hydrolyzes at room temp & should be used within 30 min. The pH providing optimum soln stability has been reported to be about 6.5-7. Azacitidine 0.5 & 2 mg/ml in Ringer's injection, lactated, was stable for up to one month when frozen at -20 °C in [polypropylene](#) syringes.

*Trissel, L.A. Handbook on Injectable Drugs. 9th ed. Bethesda, MD. American Society of Health-System Pharmacists' Product Development. 1996., p. 1143*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

##### Stability

Bulk: Samples of 5- azacitidine and 5- azacitidine [hydrate](#) were found to be stable at 25 °C and 60 °C for at least 30 days. Solution: Dilute aqueous solutions of 5-azacitidine have been found to be unstable at 24 -26 ° C. A 1% aqueous solution at 5-6°C decomposes 2, 5, and 9% in 2, 8, and 24 hours respectively. At room temperature a 1% aqueous solution shows 7, 20 and 41% decomposition in 2, 8, and 24 hours respectively (UV and NMR).

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

#### 4.2.7 Optical Rotation



Optical rotation: + 39 degrees @ 25 °C (c = 1 in [water](#))

*Budavari, S. (ed.). The Merck Index - An Encyclopedia of Chemicals, Drugs, and Biologicals. Whitehouse Station, NJ: Merck and Co., Inc., 1996., p. 153*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

(c = 1, H<sub>2</sub>O) [α]<sub>20</sub> D = 40.0 ± 1.0°

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#### 4.2.8 Decomposition



When heated to decomposition it emits toxic fumes of /nitrogen oxides/.

*Gleason, M.N., R.E. Gosselin, H.C. Hodge, and R.P. Smith. Clinical Toxicology of Commercial Products. 3rd ed. Baltimore: Williams and Wilkins, 1969., p. 296*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

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## 5 Spectral Information



### 5.1 1D NMR Spectra



1D NMR Spectra	<a href="#">NMRShiftDB Link</a>
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► [NMRShiftDB](#)

#### 5.1.1 1H NMR Spectra



Spectra ID	<a href="#">2335</a>
Instrument Type	JEOL
Frequency	400 MHz
Solvent	DMSO-d6
Shifts [ppm]:Intensity	3.54:176.00, 3.55:185.00, 3.57:237.00, 3.58:225.00, 3.68:214.00, 3.69:234.00, 3.71:156.00, 3.72:155.00, 3.85:218.00, 3.86:207.00, 3.87:250.00, 4.00:185.00, 4.02:312.00, 4.03:216.00, 4.08:234.00, 4.09:292.00, 4.10:176.00, 5.67:469.00, 5.68:460.00, 7.53:281.00, 7.54:237.00, 8.59:1000.00
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► [Human Metabolome Database \(HMDB\)](#)

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#### 5.1.2 13C NMR Spectra



Spectra ID	<a href="#">3035</a>
Instrument Type	JEOL
Frequency	22.53 MHz
Solvent	DMSO-d6
Shifts [ppm]:Intensity	153.19:579.00, 156.24:783.00, 165.75:947.00, 60.15:667.00, 68.96:907.00, 73.83:1000.00, 84.31:813.00, 89.29:830.00
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[Human Metabolome Database \(HMDB\)](#)

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## 5.2 UV Spectra



UV max ([water](#)): 241 nm (epsilon 8767); (0.01 N HCl): 249 nm (epsilon 3077); (0.01 N KOH): 223 nm (epsilon 24200)

*Budavari, S. (ed.). The Merck Index - An Encyclopedia of Chemicals, Drugs, and Biologicals. Whitehouse Station, NJ: Merck and Co., Inc., 1996., p. 153*

[Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

(0.1 M [acetate](#) buffer, pH 5) max = 242 ±2nm E = 6,850 - 7,250

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## 5.3 IR Spectra



### 5.3.1 ATR-IR Spectra



Instrument Name	Bio-Rad FTS
Technique	ATR-Neat (DuraSamplIR II)
Source of Spectrum	Forensic Spectral Research
Source of Sample	Sigma-Aldrich Company Llc
Catalog Number	A2385
Lot Number	SLBD1299V
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5.4 Chromatograms?[↗](#)

5.4.1 HPLC?[↗](#)

HPLC	Column: Alltech C8 300 mm x 4.6 mm i.d. Mobile Phase: pH 6.5, 0.02 M KH Flow Rate: 1.5 mL/min Detection: UV at 210 nm Sample Preparation: 0.5 mg of the sample is quickly dissolved in 1.0 mL of the mobile phase or internal standard solution Internal Standard: <a href="#">Uridine</a> (1.5 mg/mL in mobile phase) Retention Volume: 6.8 mL (NSC - 102816) 9.0 mL (I.S)
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5.5 Raman Spectra?[↗](#)

Technique	FT-Raman
Source of Spectrum	Forensic Spectral Research
Source of Sample	Sigma-Aldrich Company Llc
Catalog Number	A2385
Lot Number	SLBD1299V
Copyright	Copyright © 2013-2021 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. All Rights Reserved.



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## 6 Related Records



### 6.1 Related Compounds with Annotation



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## 6.2 Related Compounds



Same Connectivity	57 Records
Same Stereo	7 Records
Same Isotope	34 Records
Same Parent, Connectivity	99 Records
Same Parent, Stereo	36 Records
Same Parent, Isotope	76 Records
Same Parent, Exact	30 Records
Mixtures, Components, and Neutralized Forms	98 Records
Similar Compounds	330 Records
Similar Conformers	4,715 Records

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## 6.3 Substances



### 6.3.1 Related Substances



All	424 Records
Same	276 Records
Mixture	148 Records

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### 6.3.2 Substances by Category



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PubMed	3,301 Records
Protein Structures	1 Record
Taxonomy	5 Records
OMIM	30 Records
Gene	443 Records

► PubChem

6.5 NCBI LinkOut

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## 7 Chemical Vendors



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## 8 Drug and Medication Information



### 8.1 Drug Indication



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For treatment of patients with the following French-American-British myelodysplastic syndrome subtypes: refractory anemia or refractory anemia with ringed sideroblasts (if accompanied by neutropenia or thrombocytopenia or requiring transfusions), refractory anemia with excess blasts, refractory anemia with excess blasts in transformation (now classified as acute myelogenous leukemia with multilineage dysplasia), and chronic myelomonocytic leukemia.

[DrugBank](#)

#### FDA Label

[DrugBank](#)

Azacitidine Mylan is indicated for the treatment of adult patients who are not eligible for haematopoietic stem cell transplantation (HSCT) with: intermediate 2 and high risk myelodysplastic syndromes (MDS) according to the International Prognostic Scoring System (IPSS), chronic myelomonocytic leukaemia (CMML) with 10-29% marrow blasts without myeloproliferative disorder, acute myeloid leukaemia (AML) with 20-30% blasts and multi lineage dysplasia, according to World Health Organisation (WHO) classification, AML with > 30% marrow blasts according to the WHO classification.

[European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

### 8.2 LiverTox Summary



Azacitidine is a [cytosine](#) analogue and antineoplastic agent used in the therapy of myelodysplastic syndromes. Azacitidine is associated with a low rate of transient serum enzyme elevations during therapy and has only rarely been implicated in cases of clinically apparent acute liver injury with jaundice.

[LiverTox](#)

### 8.3 Drug Classes



Antineoplastic Agents

[LiverTox](#)

### 8.4 Drug Effects during Lactation



Summary	Most sources consider breastfeeding to be contraindicated during maternal antineoplastic drug therapy. It might be possible to breastfeed safely during intermittent azacitidine therapy with an appropriate period of breastfeeding abstinence; the manufacturer recommends an abstinence period of 1 week after the last dose. Chemotherapy may adversely affect the normal microbiome and chemical makeup of breastmilk. Women who receive chemotherapy during pregnancy are more likely to have difficulty nursing their infant.
PubMed	<a href="#">30000021</a>
NCBI Books	<a href="#">NBK500962</a>

[Drugs and Lactation Database \(LactMed\)](#)

### 8.5 FDA Orange Book



[FDA Orange Book](#)

### 8.6 FDA National Drug Code Directory



► [National Drug Code \(NDC\) Directory](#)

AZACITIDINE is an active ingredient in 4 products including: 'AZACITIDINE FOR', AZACITIDINE, and ONUREG.

► [National Drug Code \(NDC\) Directory](#)

## 8.7 Drug Labels for Ingredients



Label Information	Total 25 labels
Drug Ingredient	AZACITIDINE
NDC Code(s)	0143-9606-01, 0781-3253-94, 0781-9253-94, 16714-927-01, 16729-306-10, 43598-305-62, 43598-465-62, 43598-678-11, 43817-906-01, 51991-797-98, 59572-102-01, 59572-730-07, 59572-730-14, 59572-740-07, 59572-740-14, 63323-771-39, 64679-096-01, 67457-254-30, 68001-313-56, 68001-504-54, 68001-527-54, 69097-368-40, 69097-805-40, 70121-1237-1, 71288-115-30, 71288-153-95, 72485-201-01, 72606-558-01
Packagers	Accord Healthcare Inc.; Amneal Pharmaceuticals LLC; Armas Pharmaceuticals Inc.; BluePoint Laboratories; Breckenridge Pharmaceutical, Inc.; CELLTRION USA, INC.; Celgene Corporation; Cipla USA Inc.; Dr. Reddy's Laboratories Inc.; Fresenius Kabi USA, LLC; Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA Inc.; Meitheal Pharmaceuticals Inc.; Mylan Institutional LLC; NorthStar RxLLC; Panacea Biotec Limited; Sandoz Inc; Wockhardt USA LLC.

► [DailyMed](#)

## 8.8 Clinical Trials



### 8.8.1 ClinicalTrials.gov



► [ClinicalTrials.gov](#)

### 8.8.2 EU Clinical Trials Register



► [EU Clinical Trials Register](#)



## 8.8.3 NIPH Clinical Trials Search of Japan

[► NIPH Clinical Trials Search of Japan](#)

## 8.9 EMA Drug Information

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Medicine	Azacitidine Mylan
Therapeutic area	Myelodysplastic Syndromes; Leukemia, Myelomonocytic, Chronic; Leukemia, Myeloid, Acute
Active Substance	azacitidine
INN/Common name	azacitidine
Pharmacotherapeutic Classes	Antineoplastic agents
Status	This medicine is authorized for use in the European Union
Company	Mylan Ireland Limited
Market Date	2020-03-27

[► European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Medicine	Azacitidine betapharm
Therapeutic area	Myelodysplastic Syndromes; Leukemia, Myelomonocytic, Chronic; Leukemia, Myeloid, Acute
Active Substance	azacitidine
INN/Common name	azacitidine
Pharmacotherapeutic Classes	Antineoplastic agents
Status	This medicine is authorized for use in the European Union
Company	betapharm Arzneimittel GmbH
Market Date	2020-03-24

[► European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

## 8.10 Therapeutic Uses



Anticancer agent used to treat acute myelogenous leukemia

*Kirk-Othmer Encyclopedia of Chemical Technology*, 4th ed. Volumes 1: New York, NY: John Wiley and Sons, 1991-Present., p. V5 (1993) 872[► Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

Expl Ther: The ability of [phenylacetate](#) to prevent carcinogenesis by the chemotherapeutic hypomethylating drug [5-aza-2'-deoxycytidine](#) (5AzaC) was tested in vitro and in mice. Transient exposure of immortalized, but poorly tumorigenic ras-transformed 4C8 fibroblasts to 5AzaC resulted in neoplastic transformation manifested by loss of contact inhibition of growth, acquired invasiveness, and increased tumorigenicity in athymic mice.

*Prasanna P et al; Clin Cancer Res 1 (8): 865-71*[► Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

5-Azacitidine, an inhibitor of DNA methylation as well as a [cytidine](#) antimetabolite, becomes incorporated predominantly into RNA and has antileukemic and differentiating action. A newer analog, [2',2'-difluorodeoxycytidine](#) ([gemcitabine](#)), becomes incorporated into DNA and inhibits the elongation of nascent DNA strands. It has promising activity in various human solid tumors, including lung cancer and ovarian cancer ...

*Hardman, J.G., L.E. Limbird, P.B. Molinoff, R.W. Ruddon, A.G. Goodman (eds.). Goodman and Gilman's The Pharmacological Basis of Therapeutics. 9th ed. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill, 1996., p. 1249*[► Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

## 9 Pharmacology and Biochemistry



### 9.1 Pharmacodynamics



Azacitidine is believed to exert its antineoplastic effects by causing hypomethylation of DNA and direct cytotoxicity on abnormal hematopoietic cells in the bone marrow. The concentration of azacitidine required for maximum inhibition of DNA methylation in vitro does not cause major suppression of DNA synthesis. Hypomethylation may restore normal function to genes that are critical for differentiation and proliferation. The cytotoxic effects of azacitidine cause the death of rapidly dividing cells, including cancer cells that are no longer responsive to normal growth control mechanisms. Non-proliferating cells are relatively insensitive to azacitidine. Upon uptake into cells, azacitidine is phosphorylated to 5-azacytidine monophosphate by [uridine-cytidine](#) kinase, then to diphosphate by [pyrimidine monophosphate](#) kinases and [triphosphate](#) by diphosphate kinases. 5-Azacitidine [triphosphate](#) is incorporated into RNA, leading to the disruption of nuclear and cytoplasmic RNA metabolism and inhibition of protein synthesis. 5-Azacitidine [diphosphate](#) is reduced to 5-aza-deoxycytidine diphosphate by ribonucleotide reductase. The resultant metabolite is phosphorylated to 5-azadeoxycytidine [triphosphate](#) by nucleoside diphosphate kinases. 5-azadeoxycytidine [triphosphate](#) is then incorporated into DNA, leading to inhibition of DNA synthesis. Azacitidine is most toxic during the S-phase of the cell cycle.

► [DrugBank](#)

### 9.2 MeSH Pharmacological Classification



#### Enzyme Inhibitors

Compounds or agents that combine with an enzyme in such a manner as to prevent the normal substrate-enzyme combination and the catalytic reaction. (See [all compounds classified as Enzyme Inhibitors](#).)

► [Medical Subject Headings \(MeSH\)](#)

#### Antimetabolites, Antineoplastic

Antimetabolites that are useful in cancer chemotherapy. (See [all compounds classified as Antimetabolites, Antineoplastic](#).)

► [Medical Subject Headings \(MeSH\)](#)

### 9.3 FDA Pharmacological Classification



FDA UNII	M801H13NRU
Active Moiety	AZACITIDINE
Pharmacological Classes	Mechanisms of Action [MoA] - Nucleic Acid Synthesis Inhibitors
Pharmacological Classes	Established Pharmacologic Class [EPC] - Nucleoside Metabolic Inhibitor
FDA Pharmacology Summary	Azacitidine is a Nucleoside Metabolic Inhibitor. The mechanism of action of azacitidine is as a Nucleic Acid Synthesis Inhibitor.

► [FDA Pharm Classes](#)

Non-Proprietary Name	AZACITIDINE
Pharmacological Classes	Nucleoside Metabolic Inhibitor [EPC]; Nucleic Acid Synthesis Inhibitors [MoA]

► [National Drug Code \(NDC\) Directory](#)

### 9.4 ATC Code



L01BC07

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\); NORMAN Suspect List Exchange](#)

L - Antineoplastic and immunomodulating agents

L01 - Antineoplastic agents

L01B - Antimetabolites

L01BC - [Pyrimidine](#) analogues

L01BC07 - Azacitidine

► [WHO Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical \(ATC\) Classification](#)

### 9.5 Absorption, Distribution and Excretion



#### Absorption

Azacitidine is rapidly absorbed after subcutaneous administration. The bioavailability of subcutaneous azacitidine relative to IV azacitidine is approximately 89%, based on area under the curve.

► [DrugBank](#)

#### Route of Elimination

Following IV administration of radioactive azacitidine to 5 cancer patients, the cumulative urinary excretion was 85% of the radioactive dose. Fecal excretion accounted for <1% of administered radioactivity over three days. Mean excretion of radioactivity in urine following SC administration of 14C-azacitidine was 50%.

[▶ DrugBank](#)

#### Volume of Distribution

76 ± 26 L

[▶ DrugBank](#)

#### Clearance

167 +/- 49 L/h

[▶ DrugBank](#)

## 9.6 Metabolism/Metabolites

An in vitro study of azacitidine incubation in human liver fractions indicated that azacitidine may be metabolized by the liver. The potential of azacitidine to inhibit cytochrome P450 (CYP) enzymes is not known.

[▶ DrugBank](#)

## 9.7 Biological Half-Life

Mean elimination half-life is approximately 4 hours.

[▶ DrugBank](#)

## 9.8 Mechanism of Action

Azacitidine (5-azacytidine) is a chemical analogue of the cytosine nucleoside used in DNA and RNA. Azacitidine may induce antineoplastic activity by inhibition of DNA methyltransferase at low doses and cytotoxicity through incorporation into RNA and DNA at high doses. Covalent binding to DNA methyltransferase results in hypomethylation of DNA and prevents DNA synthesis. As azacitidine is a ribonucleoside, it incorporates into RNA to a larger extent than into DNA. The incorporation into RNA leads to the disassembly of polyribosomes, defective methylation and acceptor function of transfer RNA, and inhibition of the production of protein, resulting in cell death.

[▶ DrugBank](#)

Telomerase activation is thought to be a critical step in cellular immortality and oncogenesis. Several reagents including differentiation-inducing and antineoplastic agents are known to inhibit telomerase activity, although the molecular mechanisms through which they inhibit telomerase activity remain unclear. Demethylating reagents have recently been used as potential antineoplastic drugs for some types of cancers including those of the prostate. In the present study, we examined the effect of the demethylating reagent 5-azacytidine (5-aza-CR) on telomerase activity using cells of two prostate cancer cell lines, DU-145 and TSU-PR1. 5-aza-CR treatment significantly reduced telomerase activity in TSU-PR1 cells, but not in DU-145 cells, although growth inhibition was observed to a similar extent in both cell lines. Reverse transcription-PCR analyses revealed that inhibition of telomerase activity was accompanied by down-regulation of telomerase catalytic subunit (hTERT) mRNA expression. Transient expression assays showed that 5-aza-CR repressed the transcriptional activity of the hTERT promoter and that the E-box within the core promoter was responsible for this down-regulation. Western blot analyses revealed that 5-aza-CR reactivated p16 expression and repressed c-Myc expression in TSU-PR1 cells but not in DU-145 cells. Overexpression of p16 in TSU-PR1 cells led to significant repression of c-Myc transcription. These findings suggest that 5-aza-CR inhibits telomerase activity via transcriptional repression of hTERT, in which p16 and c-Myc may play a key role.

[PMID:10914736](#)*Kitagawa Y et al; Clin cancer Res 6 (7): 2868-75 (2000)*[▶ Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

Cellular differentiation is controlled by a variety of factors including gene methylation, which represses particular genes as cell fate is determined. The incorporation of 5-azacytidine (5azaC) into DNA in vitro prevents methylation and thus can alter cellular differentiation pathways. Human bone marrow fibroblasts and MG63 cells treated with 5azaC were used as models of osteogenic progenitors and of a more mature osteoblast phenotype, respectively. The capacity for differentiation of these cells following treatment with glucocorticoids was investigated. 5azaC treatment led to significant expression of the osteoblastic marker alkaline phosphatase in MG63 osteosarcoma cells, which was further augmented by glucocorticoids; however, in human marrow fibroblasts alkaline phosphatase activity was only observed in glucocorticoid-treated cultures. MG63 cells represent a phenotype late in the osteogenic lineage in which demethylation is sufficient to induce alkaline phosphatase activity. Marrow fibroblasts are at an earlier stage of differentiation and require stimulation with glucocorticoids. In contrast, the expression of osteocalcin, an osteoblastic marker, was unaffected by 5azaC treatment, suggesting that regulation of expression of the osteocalcin gene does not involve methylation. These models provide novel approaches to the study of the control of differentiation in the marrow fibroblastic system.

*Locklin RM et al; Cell Biol Int 22 (3): 207-15*[▶ Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

## 9.9 Human Metabolite Information

### 9.9.1 Cellular Locations

Cytoplasm

[▶ Human Metabolome Database \(HMDB\)](#)

## 10 Use and Manufacturing



### 10.1 Uses



Anticancer agent used to treat acute myelogenous leukemia

*Kirk-Othmer Encyclopedia of Chemical Technology*, 4th ed. Volumes 1: New York, NY: John Wiley and Sons, 1991-Present., p. V5 (1993) 872

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

#### 10.1.1 Use Classification



Human drugs -> Azacitidine Mylan -> EMA Drug Category

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Antineoplastic agents -> Human pharmacotherapeutic group

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Human drugs -> Azacitidine betapharm -> EMA Drug Category

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Human drugs -> Azacitidine Accord -> EMA Drug Category

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Human drugs -> Azacitidine Celgene -> EMA Drug Category

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Human drugs -> Vidaza -> EMA Drug Category

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Human Drugs -> EU pediatric investigation plans

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Human drugs -> Onureg -> EMA Drug Category

► [European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)

Human Drugs -> FDA Approved Drug Products with Therapeutic Equivalence Evaluations (Orange Book) -> Active Ingredients

► [FDA Orange Book](#)

## 11 Identification



### 11.1 Analytic Laboratory Methods



AOAC Method 973.30. Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons and [Benzo\(a\)pyrene](#) in Food.. Spectrophotometric method. /Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons/  
Association of Official Analytical Chemists. *Official Methods of Analysis. 15th ed. and Supplements.* Washington, DC: Association of Analytical Chemists, 1990, p. 1176



► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

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## 12 Safety and Hazards

### 12.1 Hazards Identification

#### 12.1.1 GHS Classification

Pictogram(s)	  Irritant      Health Hazard
Signal	<b>Danger</b>
GHS Hazard Statements	H302: Harmful if swallowed [ <b>Warning</b> Acute toxicity, oral] H341: Suspected of causing genetic defects [ <b>Warning</b> Germ cell mutagenicity] H350: May cause cancer [ <b>Danger</b> Carcinogenicity] H360: May damage fertility or the unborn child [ <b>Danger</b> Reproductive toxicity] H372: Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure [ <b>Danger</b> Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure]
Precautionary Statement Codes	P203, P260, P264, P270, P280, P281, P301+P317, P318, P319, P330, P405, and P501 (The corresponding statement to each P-code can be found at the <a href="#">GHS Classification</a> page.)

► NITE-CMC

#### 12.1.2 Hazard Classes and Categories

Acute toxicity (Oral) - Category 4

Germ cell mutagenicity - Category 2

Carcinogenicity - Category 1B

Reproductive toxicity - Category 1B

Specific target organ toxicity - Repeated exposure - Category 1 (blood system, liver)

► NITE-CMC

#### 12.1.3 Health Hazards

SYMPTOMS: Symptoms of exposure to this compound via intravenous route include nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, reduction in white cell count, leukopenia and agranulocytosis. Other symptoms via intravenous route include dose-related leukemia, thrombocytopenia, myelosuppression, gastrointestinal upset, alterations in hepatic function tests, fatal hepatic coma, myalgia, rhabdomyolysis, rash, stomatitis, fever, hypotension and reversible renal impairment. Symptoms of exposure to this type of compound include anorexia, local irritant effects, allergic reactions including pruritus and erythema, headache, malaise, weakness, anaphylaxis, vesicant or irritant effect on skin and mucous membranes, thrombophlebitis, anemia, bleeding, immunosuppressant effect, mouth ulcers, esophagitis, abdominal pain, hemorrhage, perforation of the stomach, alopecia, delayed wound healing, amenorrhea, inhibition of spermatogenesis, gynecomastia, hyperuricemia, acute renal failure due to **uric acid** nephropathy, hyperphosphatemia, disturbances of electrolyte balance, pigmentation of the skin and nails, jaundice and abnormal liver function tests. ACUTE/CHRONIC HAZARDS: This compound is harmful if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through the skin. It may cause irritation. When heated to decomposition it emits toxic fumes of **carbon monoxide**, **carbon dioxide** and nitrogen oxides. (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► CAMEO Chemicals

#### 12.1.4 Fire Hazards

Flash point data for this chemical are not available; however, it is probably combustible. (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► CAMEO Chemicals

#### 12.1.5 Skin, Eye, and Respiratory Irritations

A skin irritant.

Lewis, R.J. *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*. 9th ed. Volumes 1-3. New York, NY: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1996., p. 295

► Hazardous Substances Data Bank (HSDB)

## 12.2 First Aid Measures

### 12.2.1 First Aid

EYES: First check the victim for contact lenses and remove if present. Flush victim's eyes with **water** or **normal saline** solution for 20 to 30 minutes while simultaneously calling a hospital or poison control center. Do not put any ointments, oils, or medication in the victim's eyes without specific instructions from a physician. IMMEDIATELY transport the victim after flushing eyes to a hospital even if no symptoms (such as redness or irritation) develop. SKIN: IMMEDIATELY flood affected skin with **water** while removing and isolating all contaminated clothing. Gently wash all affected skin areas thoroughly with soap and **water**. If symptoms such as redness or irritation develop, IMMEDIATELY call a physician and be prepared to transport the victim to a hospital for treatment. INHALATION: IMMEDIATELY leave the contaminated area; take deep breaths of fresh air. IMMEDIATELY call a physician and be prepared to transport the victim to a hospital even if no symptoms (such as wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath, or burning in the mouth, throat, or chest) develop. Provide proper respiratory protection to rescuers

entering an unknown atmosphere. Whenever possible, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) should be used; if not available, use a level of protection greater than or equal to that advised under Protective Clothing. INGESTION: DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. If the victim is conscious and not convulsing, give 1 or 2 glasses of [water](#) to dilute the chemical and IMMEDIATELY call a hospital or poison control center. Be prepared to transport the victim to a hospital if advised by a physician. If the victim is convulsing or unconscious, do not give anything by mouth, ensure that the victim's airway is open and lay the victim on his/her side with the head lower than the body. DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING. IMMEDIATELY transport the victim to a hospital. OTHER: Since this chemical is a known or suspected carcinogen you should contact a physician for advice regarding the possible long term health effects and potential recommendation for medical monitoring. Recommendations from the physician will depend upon the specific compound, its chemical, physical and toxicity properties, the exposure level, length of exposure, and the route of exposure. (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► [CAMEO Chemicals](#)

## 12.3 Fire Fighting

Fires involving this material can be controlled with a dry chemical, [carbon dioxide](#) or [Halon](#) extinguisher. A [water](#) spray may also be used. (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► [CAMEO Chemicals](#)

## 12.4 Accidental Release Measures

### 12.4.1 Disposal Methods

SRP: At the time of review, criteria for land treatment or burial (sanitary landfill) disposal practices are subject to significant revision. Prior to implementing land disposal of waste residue (including waste sludge), consult with environmental regulatory agencies for guidance on acceptable disposal practices.

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

## 12.5 Handling and Storage

### 12.5.1 Nonfire Spill Response

SMALL SPILLS AND LEAKAGE: If you spill this chemical, you should dampen the solid spill material with [water](#), then transfer the dampened material to a suitable container. Use absorbent paper dampened with [water](#) to pick up any remaining material. Seal your contaminated clothing and the absorbent paper in a vapor-tight plastic bag for eventual disposal. Wash all contaminated surfaces with a soap and [water](#) solution. Do not reenter the contaminated area until the Safety Officer (or other responsible person) has verified that the area has been properly cleaned. STORAGE PRECAUTIONS: You should protect this chemical from exposure to light. Keep the container tightly closed under an inert atmosphere, and store under refrigerated temperatures. (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► [CAMEO Chemicals](#)

### 12.5.2 Storage Conditions

Intact vials should be stored under refrigeration & are stable for at least 4 yr. Although the drug is stable for 3 yr at room temp, refrigeration is recommended because degradation may result at elevated temperatures. The constituted soln hydrolyzes at room temp & should be used within 30 min. ... Azacitidine 0.5 & 2 mg/ml in Ringer's injection, lactated, was stable for up to one month when frozen at -20 °C in [polypropylene](#) syringes.

Trissel, L.A. Handbook on Injectable Drugs. 9th ed. Bethesda, MD. American Society of Health-System Pharmacists' Product Development. 1996., p. 1143

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

## 12.6 Exposure Control and Personal Protection

### 12.6.1 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

RECOMMENDED RESPIRATOR: Where the neat test chemical is weighed and diluted, wear a NIOSH-approved half face respirator equipped with a combination filter cartridge, i.e. organic vapor/acid gas/HEPA (specific for organic vapors, HCl, acid gas, SO<sub>2</sub> and a high efficiency particulate filter). (NTP, 1992)

National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

► [CAMEO Chemicals](#)

## 12.7 Stability and Reactivity

### 12.7.1 Air and Water Reactions

Slightly [water](#) soluble. Unstable in solution.

► [CAMEO Chemicals](#)

### 12.7.2 Reactive Group

Alcohols and Polyols

Amides and Imides

Amines, Phosphines, and Pyridines

[▶ CAMEO Chemicals](#)

### 12.7.3 Reactivity Profile



5-AZACYTIDINE is sensitive to light (may discolor). It is sensitive to oxidation. It is unstable in solution. It undergoes hydrolysis in aqueous buffers. This chemical is incompatible with strong oxidizers. (NTP, 1992)

*National Toxicology Program, Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, National Institutes of Health (NTP). 1992. National Toxicology Program Chemical Repository Database. Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.*

[▶ CAMEO Chemicals](#)

## 12.8 Other Safety Information



### 12.8.1 Special Reports



National Toxicology Program. Eleventh Report on Carcinogens (2005). The Report on Carcinogens is an informational scientific and public health document that identifies and discusses substances (including agents, mixtures, or exposure circumstances) that may pose a carcinogenic hazard to human health. Azacitidine (320-67-2) is listed as reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen.[Available from, as of July 31, 2009: <http://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/ntp/roc/eleventh/profiles/s017azac.pdf>]

[▶ Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)



## 13 Toxicity



### 13.1 Toxicological Information



#### 13.1.1 Toxicity Summary



One case of overdose with azacitidine was reported during clinical trials. A patient experienced diarrhea, nausea, and vomiting after receiving a single IV dose of approximately 290 mg/m<sup>2</sup>, almost 4 times the recommended starting dose.

► [DrugBank](#)

#### 13.1.2 Hepatotoxicity



In clinical trials, serum enzyme elevations occurred in up to 16% of patients on azacitidine therapy for cancer or myelodysplasia who had concurrent, underlying liver disease or liver metastases, but rarely in persons without a preexisting hepatic illness. In subsequent studies, liver adverse reactions attributed to azacitidine have rarely been reported, at least when it is given in conventional doses. Nevertheless, monitoring of serum enzyme levels is recommended in treating patients who have concurrent liver disease. Cases of clinically apparent liver injury attributed to azacitidine in patients without underlying liver disease have not been reported in the literature.

Likelihood score: E\* (unproven but suspected cause of clinically apparent liver injury in persons with pre-existing liver disease).

► [LiverTox](#)

#### 13.1.3 Drug Induced Liver Injury



Compound	azacitidine
DILI Annotation	Ambiguous DILI-concern
Severity Grade	8
Label Section	Warnings and precautions
References	<p>M Chen, V Vijay, Q Shi, Z Liu, H Fang, W Tong. FDA-Approved Drug Labeling for the Study of Drug-Induced Liver Injury, Drug Discovery Today, 16(15-16):697-703, 2011. PMID:21624500 DOI:10.1016/j.drudis.2011.05.007</p> <p>M Chen, A Suzuki, S Thakkar, K Yu, C Hu, W Tong. DILIrank: the largest reference drug list ranked by the risk for developing drug-induced liver injury in humans. Drug Discov Today 2016, 21(4): 648-653. PMID:26948801 DOI:10.1016/j.drudis.2016.02.015</p>

► [Drug Induced Liver Injury Rank \(DILIrank\) Dataset](#)

#### 13.1.4 Evidence for Carcinogenicity



Azacitidine: reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen.

DHHS/National Toxicology Program; Eleventh Report on Carcinogens: Azacitidine (320-67-2) (January 2005). Available from, as of July 31, 2009: <https://ntp.niehs.nih.gov/ntp/roc/eleventh/profiles/s017azac.pdf>

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

#### 13.1.5 Carcinogen Classification



IARC Carcinogenic Agent	Azacitidine
IARC Carcinogenic Classes	Group 2A: Probably carcinogenic to humans
IARC Monographs	Volume 50: (1990) Pharmaceutical Drugs

► [International Agency for Research on Cancer \(IARC\)](#)

#### 13.1.6 Acute Effects



► [ChemIDplus](#)

## 13.1.7 Toxicity Data



## ToxicityData

Woman(iv): TDLo: 500 ,ug/kg  
*Cancer Chemotherapy Reports, 56,413,(1972)*

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

## ToxicityData

Mouse(po): LD50: 572 mg/kg  
*Toxicology and Applied Pharmacology, 19,382,(1971)*

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

## ToxicityData

Mouse(ip): LD50: 68 mg/kg  
*Experientia, 22,53,(1966)*

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

## ToxicityData

Mouse(iv): LD50: 229 mg/kg  
*National Technical Information Service, PB84- 211432*

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

## ToxicityData

Dog(iv): LD50: 7200 ug/kg  
*Advances in Pharmacology and Chemotherapy,14,285,(1977)*

► [NCI Investigational Drugs](#)

## 13.1.8 Antidote and Emergency Treatment



Basic treatment: Establish a patent airway. Suction if necessary. Watch for signs of respiratory insufficiency and assist ventilations if needed. Administer [oxygen](#) by nonrebreather mask at 10 to 15 L/min. Monitor for pulmonary edema and treat if necessary ... Monitor for shock and treat if necessary ... Anticipate seizures and treat if necessary ... For eye contamination, flush eyes immediately with [water](#). Irrigate each eye continuously with [normal saline](#) during transport ... Do not use emetics. For ingestion, rinse mouth and administer 5 ml/kg up to 200 ml of [water](#) for dilution if the patient can swallow, has a strong gag reflex, and does not drool ... Cover skin burns with dry sterile dressings after decontamination ... /Poison A and B/

*Bronstein, A.C., P.L. Currence; Emergency Care for Hazardous Materials Exposure. 2nd ed. St. Louis, MO: Mosby Lifeline. 1994., p. 139*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

Advanced treatment: Consider orotracheal or nasotracheal intubation for airway control in the patient who is unconscious, has severe pulmonary edema, or is in respiratory arrest. Positive pressure ventilation techniques with a bag valve mask device may be beneficial. Monitor cardiac rhythm and treat arrhythmias as necessary ... Start an IV with D5W /SRP: "To keep open", minimal flow rate/. Use lactated Ringer's if signs of hypovolemia are present. Watch for signs of fluid overload. Consider drug therapy for pulmonary edema ... For hypotension with signs of hypovolemia, administer fluid cautiously. Watch for signs of fluid overload ... Treat seizures with [diazepam \(Valium\)](#) ... Use [proparacaine hydrochloride](#) to assist eye irrigation ... /Poison A and B/

*Bronstein, A.C., P.L. Currence; Emergency Care for Hazardous Materials Exposure. 2nd ed. St. Louis, MO: Mosby Lifeline. 1994., p. 139*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

## 13.1.9 Human Toxicity Excerpts



Human systemic effects by iv route: nausea, vomiting & diarrhea, reduction in white cell count (leukopenia & agranulocytosis).

*Lewis, R.J. Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials. 9th ed. Volumes 1-3. New York, NY: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1996., p. 295*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

Acute Toxicity: Nausea & vomiting; diarrhea; fever; rash; drowsiness. Delayed Toxicity: Bone marrow depression; hepatic damage; muscle pain & weakness; possibly cardiotoxicity. /From table/

*Ellenhorn, M.J., S. Schonwald, G. Ordog, J. Wasserberger. Ellenhorn's Medical Toxicology: Diagnosis and Treatment of Human Poisoning. 2nd ed. Baltimore, MD: Williams and Wilkins, 1997., p. 1324*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

A skin irritant.

*Lewis, R.J. Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials. 9th ed. Volumes 1-3. New York, NY: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1996., p. 295*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

... Treated human cells, in which separation does not depend upon the quantity of heterochromatin, /was conducted/ with  $2 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $6 \times 10^{-6}$  M [5-AC](#) for 5 and 8 hr. Compared with the control, [5-AC](#) treatment resulted in an increased frequency of separated centromeres of acrocentric chromosomes in relation to those of non-acrocentric chromosomes. In the control the acrocentric chromosomes are the last to separate; in the treated population there was almost random separation of the two types of chromosomes. This epigenetic alteration might be another factor which results in genesis of aneuploidy.

[PMID:11230551](#)

*Rodriguez MJ et al; Mutagenesis 16 (2): 109-14 (2001)*

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

High dose azacitidine causes renal dysfunction manifested by tubular acidosis, polyuria and increased urinary excretion of electrolytes, [glucose](#) and amino acids.

PMID:11219485

Kintzel PE; *Drug Saf* 24 (1): 19-38 (2001)

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

### 13.1.10 Non-Human Toxicity Excerpts

An experimental teratogen. Other experimental reproductive effects.

Lewis, R.J. *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*. 9th ed. Volumes 1-3. New York, NY: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1996., p. 295

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

DNA methylation is an epigenetical mechanism that plays crucial roles in cellular differentiation and tissue development in embryogenesis. The aim of the present study was to determine the effects of a demethylating agent, 5-azacytidine, on testicular development during embryonal life in mouse. Ten pregnant mice were administered 5-azacytidine (5-azaC) (ip 2 mg/kg of agent dissolved in 0.1 mg/ml PBS) during 8th (Group 1), 11th (Group 2), 14th (Group 3) and 18th (Group 4) days of pregnancy periods and male siblings of these animals were obtained (experimental groups) whereas the control group animals received no treatment and siblings of this group were also obtained. Testicular tissues from all groups were taken 20 days after birth and examined at the light and electron microscopical levels. All pregnancies were terminated in Group 1 animals, therefore no observations could be done in this group. While Group 2 and 3 siblings showed distinctive congenital abnormalities such as; anencephaly, growth failure, cleft palate, extremity abnormalities, supernumerary ribs and whirled shaped-tails, no such abnormalities were observed in Group 4 when compared to the control group. Microscopical examination of testicular tissues in groups 2 and 3 demonstrated cellular disintegration of spermatocytes in seminiferous tubules. In addition, cytoplasmic vacuoles and thickening of the basement membrane were also evident in both groups 2 and 3. Apoptotic-like cells were seen especially in group 2 and rarely in group 3. There were no structural alterations in group 4 animals, except a decreased number of spermatocytes in seminiferous tubules when compared to the control group, possibly indicating the completion of embryogenesis in this group. In conclusion, it could be suggested that the demethylating agent 5-azacytidine may trigger an unknown gene reactivation during early embryogenesis possibly affecting the cell and tissue differentiation in developing mammalian embryos.

Bulut HE et al; *Okijimas Folia Anat Jpn* 76 (1): 47-53

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

The [cytosine](#) analog 5-azacytidine (5-AzaC) is a demethylating agent that is also known to induce mutagenesis in mammalian cells. In this study, the mutagenic potential of this drug was tested in the G10 and G12 transgenic Chinese hamster cell lines, which have a single bacterial gpt gene integrated into the genome at different sites, with its expression driven by a simian virus 40 (SV40) promoter. We show that the mutation frequencies following a 48-h exposure to different concentrations of 5-AzaC were 10 to 20 times higher than those of any of the other numerous mutagens that have been tested in the G10-G12 system. Moreover, the mutation frequencies were much higher in the G10 cell line than in the G12 cells. Detailed molecular analysis of the [6-thioguanine](#) (6-TG)-resistant variants demonstrated that transgene silencing by de novo DNA methylation and increased chromatin condensation in the SV40 promoter was the major factor responsible for this high level of 6-TG resistance. As would be expected, exposure to 5-AzaC lowered the overall genomic DNA methylation levels, but it unexpectedly caused hypermethylation and increased chromatin condensation of the transgene in both the G10 and G12 cell lines. These results provide the first evidence that 5-AzaC may also induce transgene-specific DNA methylation, a phenomenon that can further be used for the elucidation of the mechanism that controls silencing of foreign DNA.

Broday L et al; *Mol Cell Biol* 19 (4): 3198-204

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

Retroviral sequence can silence transgene expression in vitro and in vivo. We report that this effect can be efficiently prevented by in vivo administration of the demethylating agent 5-azacytidine (aza-C). We engineered the U937 human cell line with a retroviral vector consisting of the [thymidine](#) kinase suicide gene (tk), which induces sensitivity to [ganciclovir](#) (gcv) and through an IRES sequence, the bacterial beta-galactosidase gene (lacZ) as a marker gene. About 90% of the U937 cells expressed the transgene. By injecting the transduced U937 cells in severe combined immunodeficient disease (SCID) mice, we generated a tumor which, during in vivo treatment with aza-C, maintained the high expression of lacZ and tk genes at the baseline values. LacZ-positive cells in the tumour masses after death was weak (1-2%) in the control group, while in mice treated with aza-C it was maintained at 90%. The delay in tumour onset was significantly longer when animals were treated with both aza-C and gcv ( $P < 0.0001$ ) compared with animals treated with gcv or with aza-C alone. The prevention of silencing phenomena has important implications for gene therapy, because an efficient transduction associated with appropriate drug therapy, might be a powerful strategy for successful application of gene therapy protocols.

PMID:10476232

Di Ianni M et al; *Gene Ther* 6 (4): 703-7 (1999)

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

For more Non-Human Toxicity Excerpts (Complete) data for AZACITIDINE (10 total), please visit the [HSDB record page](#).

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

### 13.1.11 Non-Human Toxicity Values

LD50 Mouse oral 572 mg/kg

Lewis, R.J. *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*. 9th ed. Volumes 1-3. New York, NY: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1996., p. 295

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

LD50 Mouse iv 229 mg/kg

Lewis, R.J. *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*. 9th ed. Volumes 1-3. New York, NY: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1996., p. 295

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

LD50 Mouse ip 68 mg/kg

Lewis, R.J. *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*. 9th ed. Volumes 1-3. New York, NY: Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1996., p. 295

► [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#)

LD50 Dog iv 7200 ug/kg

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LD50 Wild bird oral 100 mg/kg

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## 15.9 Chemical-Gene Co-Occurrences in Literature



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## GHS Classification Tree

[http://www.unec.org/trans/danger/publi/ghs/ghs\\_welcome\\_e.html](http://www.unec.org/trans/danger/publi/ghs/ghs_welcome_e.html)

46. [ChEMBL](#)

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<http://www.ebi.ac.uk/Information/termsofuse.html>

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ChEMBL Protein Target Tree  
<https://www.ebi.ac.uk/chembl/g/#browse/targets>

47. [PATENTSCOPE \(WIPO\)](#)

SID 388556103  
<https://pubchem.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/substance/388556103>

48. [NCBI](#)

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/projects/linkout>

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