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Cyclodextrins

In fragrance encapsulation





What are cyclodextrins?

Properties & applications

- Composed of sugars
- Cyclic molecules
- Naturally occurring
- Used in food, pharmaceuticals, drug delivery, chemical industries, agriculture, etc.
- Sub-nanometer sized molecular containers with hydrophilic outer phase and hydrophobic interior properties
- Reversible inclusion complex formation

Structure & MoA





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Traditional pharma applications

- CDs as drug complexing agents in drug delivery
- Nanosizing, solubilizing, stabilizing, etc.
- Summary of results: >100 marketed products in 2021

Novel applications

- Active ingredients
- Monoclonal antibodies
- Gene therapy
- Targeted therapies
- Diagnostics & Theranostics
- Biotechnology







Inclusion complex

Common Advantages

- Cyclodextrins may increase
 - Drug solubility
 - Wetting, dissolution rate
 - Drug stability
 - Absorbed quantity
- Cyclodextrins may decrease
 - API's dose for same efficacy
 - Taste
 - Side effects
 - Smell



Complex association and dissociation mechamism



Higuchi, T., Connors, K.A., Phase-solubility techniques, Adv. Anal. Inst., 4, 117-212 (1965)

Formulation technologies





Techniques for liquid formulations

 Aqueous solutions
 Suspensions

Techniques for solid complexes

 Kneading method → Grinding
 Suspension method
 Co-evaporation
 Co-precipitation
 Electrospinning

Solid complexes are made from solutions, suspensions or slurry



Using cyclodextrins in cosmetics

CDs as solubilizing agents

Stable aqueous solutions of insoluble compounds can be prepared without the use of organic co-solvents or surfactants and the rate of dissolution can be enhanced.

Flavor and odor coverage by encapsulation

CDs may be useful in covering the unfavorable organoleptic characteristics of some cosmetic products due to the presence of a particular active.

Liquid or oily materials can be transformed into powder forms

Some active ingredients in cosmetic preparations, such as α -tocopherol and vitamin A, occur in oily form and thus are difficult to handle. This problem can be easily solved by preparing a CD inclusion complex in solid state.



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Controlled/extended release of fragrances

CDs can be used to complex different fragrances, included in personal care products such as shampoos, deodorants, detergents and absorbent powders such as bath- and baby-powder products.

Protecting agents against light, heat, and oxidation

CDs can increase the physical and chemical stability of guest molecules by protecting them against oxidation, decomposition, hydrolysis or loss by evaporation.

Preventing skin irritation

CDs alleviate local irritation and reduce side effects. CDs have advantages over other conventional penetration enhancers, such as fatty acids and surfactants.

Stabilization of emulsions and suspensions

Incompatible compounds can be mixed and used together in complexed form.



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- Vitamin C serums: Cyclodextrins are often used to stabilize and solubilize vitamin C in serums, which helps to improve its effectiveness in brightening and evening out the skin tone.
- Retinol creams: Cyclodextrins can help to protect retinol from degradation and improve its stability, which can lead to better anti-aging results in creams and lotions.
- Essential oil hair treatments: Cyclodextrins can be used to encapsulate essential oils in hair treatments, which can help to protect the oils from oxidation and improve their efficacy in nourishing and strengthening the hair.
- Natural extract moisturizers: Cyclodextrins can be used to solubilize and stabilize natural plant extracts in moisturizers, which can help to enhance their moisturizing and antioxidant properties.
- Sunscreen formulations: Cyclodextrins can be used in sunscreen formulations to encapsulate UV filters, which can help to improve their stability and reduce skin irritation.



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