

Native Pineapple Bromelain

Cat. No. NATE-0665

Lot. No. (See product label)

Introduction

Description

Bromelain is a cysteine endopeptidase with broad specificity for cleavage of proteins. Bromelain may be from a stem or piece of fruit. Stem bromelain (SBM) (EC 3.4.22.32), a proteolytic enzyme, is a widely accepted phytotherapeutic drug member of the bromelain family of proteolytic enzymes obtained from *Ananas comosus*. Some of the therapeutic benefits of SBM are reversible inhibition of platelet aggregation, angina pectoris, bronchitis, sinusitis, surgical traumas, thrombophlebitis, pyelonephritis and enhanced absorption of drugs, particularly of antibiotics. Its anti-metastasis and anti-inflammatory activities are apparently independent of its proteolytic activity.

Applications

Bromelain may be used to inhibit the biosynthesis of proinflammatory prostaglandins. It may be used to reduce clotting efficiency. Bromelain, from pineapple stem, has been used to make enzymatic hydrolysates of honeybee-collected pollen.

Synonyms

stem bromelain; EC 3.4.22.32; 37189-34-7; bromelain; pineapple stem bromelain; SBM

Product Information

Species

Pineapple

Source

Pineapple stem

Form

Lyophilized powder containing mannitol and potassium phosphate buffer salts

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CAS No.

37189-34-7

Activity

> 3 units/mg protein; 5-15 units/mg protein

Composition

Protein, > 35% biuret

Buffer

The product may be suspended in acetate buffer, pH 4.5 at 1 mg/mL concentration, yielding a hazy, off-white suspension.

Unit Definition

One unit will release 1.0 micromole of p-nitrophenol from N-alpha-CBZ-L-Lysine p-nitrophenyl ester per minute at pH 4.6 at 25°C. One old titrimetric unit (pH 4.5 at 45°C) is equivalent to approximately 1.7 new units (pH 4.6 at 25°C).