Prickly Pear Extract (Opuntia ficus-indica) – Polysaccharides / Fibre 20–70%

Opuntia ficus-indica · Cactaceae

DOCUMENT	PRODUCT CODE	DOCUMENT NO.	REVISION	PRODUCT FORM
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1 Product description

Prickly Pear extract is produced from the cladode / fruit of Opuntia ficus-indica (Cactaceae family) and supplied as a fibre and prebiotic ingredient, standardized to Polysaccharides / fibre. Available grades: 20%, 35%, 70%. Typical sourcing: Mexico, Morocco, Italy. Intended for B2B formulation in nutraceuticals & supplements.

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2 Identification

Botanical source	*Opuntia ficus-indica* (Cactaceae)
Common name(s)	Prickly pear, Nopal
Plant part used	Fruit, Stem
Typical origin	Mexico, Morocco, Italy
Marker compound	Polysaccharides / fibre (Bioactive polysaccharides & β-glucans)
Manufacturing process	Water and/or hydro-alcoholic (ethanol) extraction, concentration and spray-drying; the solvent system for each grade is stated on the CoA
Standardisation	20–70% (Gravimetric)
Assay method	Gravimetric

3 Specification

PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	METHOD
Appearance	Off-white to light brown powder	Visual
Odour	Characteristic	Organoleptic
Identification	Conforms (HPTLC / HPLC fingerprint vs. reference)	HPTLC / HPLC
Assay – Polysaccharides / fibre	Not less than the labelled grade (20%, 35%, 70%)	Gravimetric
Loss on drying	≤ 5.0%	USP ‹731›
Total ash	≤ 5.0%	USP ‹561›
Particle size	≥ 95% through 80 mesh (180 µm)	USP ‹786›
Bulk density	Report (typically 0.40–0.70 g/mL)	USP ‹616›
Residual solvents	Complies with ICH Q3C / USP ‹467›	GC-HS
Lead (Pb)	≤ 3.0 mg/kg	ICP-MS
Arsenic (As)	≤ 2.0 mg/kg	ICP-MS
Cadmium (Cd)	≤ 1.0 mg/kg	ICP-MS
Mercury (Hg)	≤ 0.1 mg/kg	ICP-MS
Pesticide residues	Complies with USP ‹561› and Regulation (EC) No 396/2005	GC-MS/MS, LC-MS/MS
Aflatoxins	B1 ≤ 2 µg/kg; sum of B1, B2, G1, G2 ≤ 4 µg/kg	HPLC-FLD
Total aerobic microbial count	≤ 10,000 cfu/g	USP ‹2021›
Yeasts & moulds	≤ 1,000 cfu/g	USP ‹2021›

Escherichia coli	Absent in 10 g	USP ‹2022›
Salmonella spp.	Absent in 25 g	USP ‹2022›
Staphylococcus aureus	Absent in 10 g	USP ‹2022›

Limits above are the standard release specification for this product class. Each lot is released against its Certificate of Analysis, which is the governing document and is available on request.

4 Grades & pack sizes

GRADE	SKU PREFIX	PACK SIZES
20%	AP0832-20	Sample (50 g) · 250 g · 1 Kg · 5 Kg · 25 Kg
35%	AP0832-35	Sample (50 g) · 250 g · 1 Kg · 5 Kg · 25 Kg
70%	AP0832-70	Sample (50 g) · 250 g · 1 Kg · 5 Kg · 25 Kg

Made-to-order grades: 35%.

5 Packaging

- Samples: food-grade HDPE jar or aluminium-laminate pouch.
- 250 g – 1 Kg: food-grade LDPE bag sealed in an aluminium-laminate pouch.
- 5 Kg – 25 Kg: double food-grade LDPE bags in a fibre drum or HDPE pail.
- Packaging may vary by lot and is stated on the packing list.

6 Storage & shelf life

- Shelf life: 24 months from date of manufacture in the original, unopened packaging.
- Store in a cool (below 25 °C), dry place, protected from light.
- Hygroscopic: reseal immediately after use and minimise exposure to humid air.

7 Applications

Industries	Nutraceuticals & Supplements
Formulation focus	Weight Management, Blood Sugar & Metabolic Health, Liver & Detox

Use levels depend on the finished product and the target market. The customer is responsible for establishing safe and permitted use levels and for any claims made on finished products.

8 Regulatory & compliance

- Allergen information: not derived from a source listed in Annex II of Regulation (EU) No 1169/2011.
- Regulatory status for food, supplement, cosmetic or pharmaceutical use (e.g. EU novel food, US NDI/GRAS, FSSAI) must be confirmed by the customer for the intended market and use.

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