# Ku Shen Extract (Sophora flavescens) – Kurarinone 1–5%

*Sophora flavescens · Fabaceae*

| DOCUMENT | PRODUCT CODE | DOCUMENT NO. | REVISION | PRODUCT FORM |
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| Technical Data Sheet | AP1146 | TDS-AP1146 | 1.0 · 24 October 2026 | Standardized Extract |

## 1 Product description

Ku Shen extract is produced from the root of Sophora flavescens (Fabaceae family) and supplied as a standardized extract powder, standardized to Kurarinone. Available grades: 1%, 5%. Typical sourcing: China. Intended for B2B formulation in nutraceuticals & supplements, cosmetics & personal care.

1% 5%

## 2 Identification

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| Botanical source | *Sophora flavescens* (Fabaceae) |
| Common name(s) | Ku Shen |
| Plant part used | Root |
| Typical origin | China |
| Marker compound | Kurarinone (Flavanones) |
| 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 | 1–5% (HPLC) |
| Assay method | HPLC |
| Pharmacopoeia & standards | Chinese Pharmacopoeia |

## 3 Specification

| PARAMETER | SPECIFICATION | METHOD |
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| Appearance | Brown to yellowish-brown fine powder | Visual |
| Odour | Characteristic | Organoleptic |
| Identification | Conforms (HPTLC / HPLC fingerprint vs. reference) | HPTLC / HPLC |
| Assay – Kurarinone | Not less than the labelled grade (1%, 5%) | HPLC |
| 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› |

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| 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 |
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| **1%** | AP1146-1 | Sample (50 g) · 250 g · 1 Kg · 5 Kg · 25 Kg |
| **5%** | AP1146-5 | Sample (50 g) · 250 g · 1 Kg · 5 Kg · 25 Kg |

## 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

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| Industries | Nutraceuticals & Supplements, Cosmetics & Personal Care |
| Formulation focus | Immune Support, Skin & Hair Care |
| Traditional systems | Traditional Chinese Medicine |

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

- Pharmacopoeia / standard references: Chinese Pharmacopoeia.
- 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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