

# LYCOPENE

Lycopene is a naturally occurring compound found in certain fruits and vegetables, most notably tomatoes. It is a member of the carotenoid family, which are pigments responsible for the red, orange, and yellow colors in many plants.



#### Chemical Structure

Lycopene is a linear, unsaturated hydrocarbon composed of 11 conjugated double bonds, giving it a unique chemical structure among carotenoids.

## Antioxidant Properties

Lycopene is a powerful antioxidant that helps neutralize free radicals in the body. Free radicals can cause oxidative stress, which is linked to various chronic diseases and aging.

## Health Benefits

Research suggests that lycopene may have several health benefits, including cardiovascular protection, anti-cancer effects

- (particularly in prostate
- cancer), and protection against UV-induced skin damage.

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Lycopene, a member of the carotenoid family, occurs naturally in tomatoes.

It is an oil soluble red pigment with demonstrated strong antioxidant properties. As a powerful antioxidant, lycopene is found to protect the body from harmful free radicals.

BM Ingredients Europe GmbH offers a wide range of Lycopene for a variety of supplements, fortification and coloration for foods and beverages.

- Excellent uniformity.
- Superior stability in both liquid and dry applications.
- Beadlets for easy handling and direct compressibility.
- Consistent color shade in food preparations.

#### **Specifications**

Botanical/Scientific name Lycopene CAS no. 502-65-8 Description Redish Powder & Oleoresin Assay By HPLC & UV 5%, 10% Complies with EU food regulations



