



the art and science of smart patch testing™

AP121: Benzyl-4-hydroxybenzoate

CAS#: 94-18-8

Patient Information

Your patch test result indicates that you have a contact allergy to benzyl-4-hydroxybenzoate. This contact allergy may cause your skin to react when it is exposed to this substance although it may take several days for the symptoms to appear. Typical symptoms include redness, swelling, itching and fluid-filled blisters.

Where is benzyl-4-hydroxybenzoate found?

This is a widely used preservative in food and cosmetic and therapeutic products.

How can you avoid contact with benzyl-4-hydroxybenzoate?

Avoid products that list any of the following names in the ingredients:

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| ■ AI3-02955 | ■ EINECS 202-311-9 |
| ■ Benzyl 4-hydroxybenzoate | ■ NSC 8080 |
| ■ Benzyl Parasept | ■ Nipabenzyl |
| ■ Benzyl Tegosept | ■ Parosept |
| ■ Benzyl p-hydroxybenzoate | ■ Solbrol Z |
| ■ Benzyl-Parasept | ■ p-Hydroxybenzoic acid benzyl ester |
| ■ Benzylparaben | |

What are some products that may contain benzyl-4-hydroxybenzoate?

Antiperspirants

Cosmetics

Deodorants

*For additional information about products that might contain **benzyl-4-hydroxybenzoate**, go to the Household Product Database online (<http://householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov>) at the United States National Library of Medicine. These lists are brief and provide just a few examples. They are not comprehensive. Product formulations also change frequently. Read product labels carefully and talk to your doctor if you have any questions. These are general guidelines. Talk to your doctor for more specific instructions.