PRODUCT INFORMATION



Cinnabarinic Acid

Item No. 11988

CAS Registry No.: 606-59-7

Formal Name: 2-amino-3-oxo-3H-phenoxazine-

1,9-dicarboxylic acid

MF: $C_{14}H_8N_2O_6$ FW: 300.3 **Purity:** ≥98% Supplied as: A solid Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥2 years

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

Laboratory Procedures

Cinnabarinic acid is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the cinnabarinic acid in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas.. Cinnabarinic acid is soluble in DMSO (warmed) at a concentration of approximately 25 mM.

Cinnabarinic acid is sparingly soluble in aqueous solutions. To enhance aqueous solubility, dilute the organic solvent solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline. If performing biological experiments, ensure the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Cinnabarinic acid is an agonist of metabotropic glutamate receptor 4 (mGluR4) and active metabolite of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid. 1,2 It is formed via two-step oxidation of 3-hydroxyanthranilic acid. Cinnabarinic acid (100 µM) selectively induces inositol phosphate production in HEK293 cells expressing mGluR4 over HEK293 cells expressing mGluR1, mGluR2, mGluR5, mGluR6, mGluR7, or mGluR8.¹ It inhibits D-amino acid oxidase (DAAO) in a cell-free assay (IC₅₀ = $1.37 \mu M$).³ Cinnabarinic acid (30 μM) increases levels of reactive oxygen species (ROS) and induces apoptosis in primary mouse thymocytes.⁴

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WARNING
THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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