PRODUCT INFORMATION



Ginkgolide B

Item No. 14636

CAS Registry No.: 15291-77-7

Formal Name: (1R,3S,3aS,4R,6aR,7aR,7bR,8S,10aS,11R

> ,11aR)-3-(1,1-dimethylethyl)hexahydro-4,7b,11-trihydroxy-8-methyl-9H-1,7a-(epoxymethano)-1H,6aH-cyclopenta[c] furo[2,3-b]furo[3',2':3,4]cyclopenta[1,2-d]

furan-5,9,12(4H)-trione

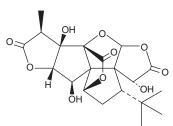
Synonyms: BN 52021, BN 52051

MF: $C_{20}H_{24}O_{10}$ FW: 424.4 **Purity:** ≥98% UV/Vis.:

 λ_{max} : 219 nm A crystalline solid Supplied as:

-20°C Storage: Stability: ≥4 years

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



Laboratory Procedures

Ginkgolide B is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the ginkgolide B in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Ginkgolide B is soluble in organic solvents such as DMSO and dimethyl formamide (DMF). The solubility of ginkgolide B in these solvents is approximately 14 and 25 mg/ml, respectively.

Ginkgolide B is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, ginkgolide B should first be dissolved in DMF and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Ginkgolide B has a solubility of approximately 0.5 mg/ml in a 1:1 solution of DMF:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Platelet-activating factor (PAF) is an important mediator of cell proliferation, angiogenesis, inflammatory response regulation, vasodilation, superoxide formation, and platelet aggregation. These cellular effects are mediated through its specific G-protein coupled receptor, PAFR.² Ginkgolide B, a terpenoid extracted from G. biloba leaves, is a potent PAFR antagonist that inhibits platelet aggregation at concentrations from 10-500 μM.³ It has been shown to inhibit non-mucinous ovarian cancer proliferation by blocking cell cycling.⁴ Ginkgolide B also demonstrates number of other anti-inflammatory, anti-allergic, antioxidant, and neuroprotective effects.5

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

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