PRODUCT INFORMATION



Azaserine

Item No. 14834

| CAS Registry No.: | |
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| Formal Name: | O-(2-diazoacetyl)-L-serine |
| Synonyms: | CI-337, CN 15757, O-Diazoacetyl-L-serine, |
| | NSC 742 NH ₂ |
| MF: | $C_5H_7N_3O_4$ |
| FW: | |
| Purity: | ≥98% N. |
| UV/Vis.: | λ _{max} : 248 nm |
| Supplied as: | A crystalline solid |
| Storage: | -20°C |
| Stability: | ≥4 years |
| Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis. | |

Laboratory Procedures

Azaserine is supplied as a crystalline solid. Aqueous solutions of azaserine can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline solid in aqueous buffers. The solubility of azaserine in PBS (pH 7.2) is approximately 3 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Azaserine is a tumor-inhibiting antibiotic isolated from a species of Streptomyces that functions as a glutamine analog.¹⁻² At 25 μ M, it inhibits the glutamine-dependent amidotransferases involved in nucleotide biosynthesis, phosphoribosylformylglycinamidine synthetase and glucosamine-6-phosphate isomerase.²⁻³ Azaserine also inhibits the hexosamine biosynthetic pathway, which shunts excessive intracellular glucose into the biosynthesis of UDP-N-acetylglucosamine and the formation of O-linked glycoproteins.⁴ Azaserine has been shown to protect against hyperglycemic endothelial damage through its antioxidant effects.⁴

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

SAFFTY DATA

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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