PRODUCT INFORMATION



Thymoguinone

Item No. 15039

CAS Registry No.: 490-91-5

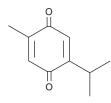
2-methyl-5-(1-methylethyl)-2,5-Formal Name:

cyclohexadiene-1,4-dione

Synonym: NSC 2228 MF: $C_{10}H_{12}O_2$ 164.2 FW: ≥98% **Purity:** UV/Vis.: λ_{max} : 253 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

Thymoquinone is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the thymoquinone in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Thymoquinone is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF). The solubility of thymoquinone in ethanol and DMF is approximately 16 mg/ml and in DMSO it is approximately 14 mg/ml.

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

Description

The black seeds of Nigella have long been ingested to treat a broad range of diseases, including inflammation and cancer.¹ Thymoquinone is a natural phytochemical isolated from the seeds of N. sativa.¹ It has anti-inflammatory effects, blocking the synthesis of leukotrienes. 1-2 Thymoquinone inhibits the growth of leukemia cells ($IC_{50} = 1.5 \mu g/mI$), inducing apoptosis by down-regulating the expression of Bcl-2 while up-regulating Bax expression.³ In addition to blocking cell proliferation and triggering apoptosis, thymoquinone (15 μ M) suppresses STAT3-regulated gene expression and prevents angiogenesis.⁴⁻⁵

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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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