# PRODUCT INFORMATION



# **Ansamitocin P-3**

Item No. 20538

CAS Registry No.: 66547-09-9

Formal Name: 3-O-de[2-(acetylmethylamino)-1-oxopropyl]-

3-O-(1-oxobutyl)-maytansine

Synonyms: Antibiotic C-15003P3, Maytansinol butyrate

MF: C32H43CIN2O9

635.2 FW: **Purity:** ≥85%

UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{max}$ : 232, 251, 280 nm Supplied as: A crystalline solid

Storage:

Stability: ≥4 years

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



Ansamitocin P-3 is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the ansamitocin P-3 in the solvent of choice. Ansamitocin P-3 is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF), which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of ansamitocin P-3 in these solvents is approximately 1, 10, and 20 mg/ml, respectively.

Ansamitocin P-3 is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, ansamitocin P-3 should first be dissolved in DMF and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Ansamitocin P-3 has a solubility of approximately 0.33 mg/ml in a 1:2 solution of DMF:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

### Description

Ansamitocin P-3 is a microtubule depolymerizing agent that can be isolated from culture broths of certain Gram-positive bacteria.  $^{1,2}$  It binds tubulin ( $K_d$  = 1.3  $\mu$ M), depolymerizes microtubules in both interphase and mitosis, and perturbs chromosome segregation.<sup>3</sup> Ansamitocin P-3 also activates the spindle checkpoint surveillance proteins Mad2 and BubR1, blocking cell cycling during mitosis.<sup>3</sup> It inhibits the growth of cancer cells in culture and significantly suppresses the growth of several cancer tumors in mice, prolonging survival time.1,3

### References

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WARNING
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