# **PRODUCT** INFORMATION



## **Bithionol**

Item No. 21844

CAS Registry No.:	97-18-7		
Formal Name:	2,2'-thiobis[4,6-dichloro-phenol]	OH	OH
Synonyms:	CP 3438, NSC 9872, NSC 47129		
MF:	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>6</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S		
FW:	356.1		
Purity:	≥98%		
UV/Vis.:	λ <sub>max</sub> : 308 nm		
Supplied as:	A crystalline solid		
Storage:	Room temperature	ĊI	ĊI
Stability:	≥4 years		

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

#### Laboratory Procedures

Bithionol is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the bithionol in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Bithionol is soluble in the organic solvent DMSO at a concentration of approximately 20 mg/ml.

#### Description

Bithionol is an anthelmintic drug. Formulations containing bithionol have demonstrated efficacy against cestodes and trematodes, as well as other parasitic worms.<sup>1-3</sup> Bithionol inhibits host caspases, including caspases-1, -3, -6, -7, and -9, which act as hub proteins that mediate the lethality of multiple pathogenic agents.<sup>4</sup> By blocking host caspases, bithionol reduces the detrimental effects of anthrax lethal toxin, diphtheria toxin, cholera toxin, P. aeruginosa exotoxin A, Botulinum neurotoxin, ricin, and Zika virus.<sup>4</sup> Bithionol also inhibits NF- $\kappa$ B activation by blocking phosphorylation of I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$  (IC<sub>50</sub> = 15.8  $\mu$ M in a reporter gene assay).<sup>5</sup>

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

#### SAFETY 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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