# PRODUCT INFORMATION



# Coumaphos

Item No. 24230

CAS Registry No.: 56-72-4

Formal Name: O-(3-chloro-4-methyl-2-oxo-2H-1-

benzopyran-7-yl), phosphorothioic acid,

O,O-diethyl ester

Synonym: NSC 8944 MF:  $\mathrm{C}_{14}\mathrm{H}_{16}\mathrm{CIO}_5\mathrm{PS}$ 

FW: 362.8 **Purity:** ≥98% Supplied as: A 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**

Coumaphos is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the coumaphos in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Coumaphos is slightly soluble in methanol and DMSO.

#### Description

Coumaphos is an organophosphate pesticide. It is converted into the corresponding oxon metabolite in vivo, similar to other organophosphate pesticides, that inhibits acetylcholinesterase (AChE). It is active against adult, but not arrested stage, O. ostertagi helminths.<sup>2</sup> Coumaphos is toxic to A. stephensi and A. aegypti mosquitoes when applied topically, with median lethal doses of 0.002 and 0.012 μg per female mosquito, respectively, but not when used as a contact insecticide.3 It is lethal to rats (LD<sub>50</sub>s = 41 and 16 mg/kg for male and female rats, respectively). Formulations containing coumaphos have been used to control pests in livestock.

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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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