## PRODUCT INFORMATION



## Ruscogenin

Item No. 25217

CAS Registry No.: 472-11-7

(1β,3β,25R)-spirost-5-ene-1,3-diol Formal Name:

MF:  $C_{27}H_{42}O_4$ FW: 430.6 **Purity:** ≥98%

Supplied as: A crystalline solid

-20°C Storage: Stability: ≥4 years

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

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# **Laboratory Procedures**

Ruscogenin is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the ruscogenin in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Ruscogenin is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF). The solubility of ruscogenin in ethanol is approximately 2 mg/ml and approximately 10 mg/ml in DMSO and DMF.

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

### Description

Ruscogenin is a steroid sapogenin that has been found in O. japonicus with diverse biological activities.<sup>1-5</sup> It reduces adhesion of HL-60 cells to ECV304 cells induced by phorbol 12-myristate 13-acetate (PMA; Item No. 10008014) with an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 7.76 nM and decreases peritoneal leukocyte migration induced by zymosan A (Item No. 21175) in mice when administered at a dose of 5 mg/kg. 1 Oral administration of ruscogenin (12.5 mg/kg) inhibits ADP-induced platelet aggregation in rats.<sup>2</sup> Ruscogenin prevents monocrotaline-induced increases in mean arterial pressure (MAP), expression of IL-1 $\beta$  and TNF in plasma and lung, and endothelial cell apoptosis in pulmonary arterioles in a rat model of pulmonary hypertension.<sup>3</sup> It also reduces proteinuria and renal macrophage infiltration in a rat model of diabetes induced by streptozotocin (Item No. 13104) and decreases gene expression of inflammatory cytokines, dyslipidemia, and liver steatosis in a hamster model of high-fat diet-induced nonalcoholic steatohepatitis (NASH).<sup>4,5</sup>

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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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