# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## 4-Methylumbelliferyl β-D-N,N'-diacetylchitobioside

Item No. 27730

CAS Registry No.: 53643-12-2

Formal Name: 7-[[2-(acetylamino)-4-O-[2-(acetylamino)-2-deoxy-β-D-

glucopyranosyl]-2-deoxy-β-D-glucopyranosyl]oxy]-4-

methyl-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one

Synonyms: 4-Methylumbelliferyl N,N'-diacetyl-β-chitobioside,

4-MU-(GlcNAc)<sub>2</sub>

MF:  $C_{26}H_{34}N_2O_{13}$ 

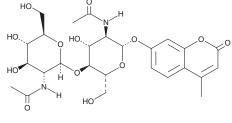
FW: 582.6 **Purity:** ≥98% UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{max}$ : 317 nm

320 and 360 at low (1.97-6.72) and high pH (7.12-10.3), Ex./Em. Max:

respectively/445-455 nm, increasing as pH decreases

Supplied as: A solid -20°C Storage: Stability: ≥4 years

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



### **Laboratory Procedures**

4-Methylumbelliferyl β-D-N,N'-diacetylchitobioside (4-MU-(GlcNAc)<sub>2</sub>) is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the 4-MU-(GlcNAc)2 in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. 4-MU-(GlcNAc)<sub>2</sub> is soluble in organic solvents such as DMSO and dimethyl formamide. The solubility of 4-MU-(GlcNAc)<sub>2</sub> in these solvents is approximately 10 mg/ml.

#### Description

4-MU-(GlcNAc)<sub>2</sub> is a fluorogenic substrate for chitinases and chitobiosidases. <sup>1,2</sup> 4-MU-(GlcNAc)<sub>2</sub> is cleaved by chitinases and chitobiosidases to release the fluorescent moiety 4-MU. 4-MU fluorescence is pH-dependent with excitation maxima of 320 and 360 nm at low (1.97-6.72) and high pH (7.12-10.3), respectively, and an emission maximum ranging from 445 to 455 nm, increasing as pH decreases.

#### References

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

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