# **PRODUCT** INFORMATION



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## Timosaponin BII

Item No. 30644

CAS Registry No.: Formal Name:	136656-07-0 (3β,5β,22α,25S)-26-(β-D-glucopyranosyloxy)- 22-hydroxyfurostan-3-yl 2-O-β-D-	
	glucopyranosyl-β-D-galactopyranoside	OH V
Synonym:	TB-II	
MF:	C <sub>45</sub> H <sub>76</sub> O <sub>19</sub>	
FW:	921.1	но. Н ОН
Purity:	≥98%	
Supplied as:	A crystalline solid	
Storage:	-20°C	
Stability:	≥4 years	
Item Origin:	Plant/Anemarrhena asphodeloides	
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Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

#### Laboratory Procedures

Timosaponin BII (TB-II) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the TB-II in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. TB-II is soluble in organic solvents such as DMSO and dimethyl formamide. The solubility of TB-II in these solvents is approximately 30 mg/ml. TB-II is also slightly soluble in ethanol.

Further dilutions of the stock solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline should be made prior to performing biological experiments. Ensure that the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of TB-II can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline solid in aqueous buffers. The solubility of TB-II in PBS, pH 7.2, is approximately 5 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

#### Description

TB-II is a steroidal saponin that has been found in Anemarrhenae and has diverse biological activities.<sup>1-3</sup> TB-II (20-100 μM) inhibits superoxide generation induced by phorbol 12-myristate 13-acetate (PMA; Item No. 10008014), N-formyl-Met-Leu-Phe (fMLP; Item No. 21495), or arachidonic acid (Item Nos. 90010 | 90010.1 | 10006607) in isolated human neutrophils.<sup>1</sup> It reduces cell death induced by enterovirus 71 (EV71) in Vero cells (IC<sub>50</sub> = 4.3  $\mu$ M).<sup>2</sup> TB-II (20, 40, and 80 mg/ml) inhibits ADP-induced platelet aggregation in isolated rabbit platelet-rich plasma (PRP).<sup>3</sup> TB-II (3 and 6 mg/kg) increases activated partial thromboplastin time (APTT) and decreases the wet weight and length of thrombi in Chandler's ex vivo thrombosis model.

#### References

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#### SAFFTY DATA

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