PRODUCT INFORMATION

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Petromyzonol

Item No. 98250

CAS Registry No.: 28979-29-5

Formal Name: $3\alpha,7\alpha,12\alpha,24$ -tetrahydroxy- 5α -cholane

MF: $C_{24}H_{42}O_4$ FW: 394.6 **Purity:** ≥98%

Supplied as: A crystalline solid Storage: Room temperature

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

Petromyzonol is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the petromyzonol in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Petromyzonol is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF). The solubility of petromyzonol in ethanol and DMF is approximately 2 mg/ml and approximately 1 mg/ml in DMSO.

Petromyzonol is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, petromyzonol should first be dissolved in ethanol and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Petromyzonol has a solubility of approximately 50 μg/ml in a 1:1 solution of ethanol:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Petromyzonol is a tetrahydroxy stearol which serves as the primary spawning pheromone in adult sea lamprey. It is produced in the bile of sea lamprey larvae from the bile acid precursor allocholic acid. While the adult sea lamprey is relatively insensitive to petromyzonol itself, the C-24 sulfate ester (petromyzonol sulfate) is a pheromone and a spawning chemoattractant which can be detected at very low concentrations by lamprey olfactory chemoreceptors. Petromyzonol, petromyzonol sulfate, and allocholic acid are all found in water samples from fresh water streams bearing larval lamprey populations. 1

Reference

1. Li, W., Sorensen, P.W., and Gallaher, D.D. The olfactory system of migratory adult sea lamprey (Petromyzon marinus) is specifically and acutely sensitive to unique bile acids released by conspecific larvae. J. Gen. Physiol. 105(5), 569-587 (1995).

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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