Aconine
Item No. 25048

CAS Registry No.: 509-20-6
Formal Name: (1α,3α,6α,14α,15α,16β)-20-ethyl-1,6,16-trimethoxy-4-(methoxymethyl)-aconitane-3,8,13,14,15-pentol
MF: C_{25}H_{41}NO_{9}
FW: 499.6
Purity: ≥95%
Supplied as: A crystalline solid
Storage: -20°C
Stability: ≥2 years

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

Laboratory Procedures

Aconine is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the aconine in the solvent of choice. Aconine is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF), which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of aconine in ethanol and DMF is approximately 25 mg/ml and approximately 20 mg/ml in DMSO.

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 aconine can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline solid in aqueous buffers. The solubility of aconine in PBS, pH 7.2, is approximately 10 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Aconine is an alkaloid originally isolated from *Aconitum* species and active metabolite of aconitine.\(^1\) It inhibits osteoclast differentiation of RANKL-stimulated RAW 264.7 cells and bone resorption in a pit formation assay in a concentration-dependent manner.\(^2\) Aconine also inhibits RANKL-induced activation of NF-κB and NFATc1 in RAW 264.7 cells. In *vivo*, aconine is toxic to mice when administered intravenously at a dose of 120 mg/kg.\(^1\) It induces flaccid paralysis and toxicity in rats with toxic dose (TD\(_{50}\)) and LD\(_{50}\) values of 1.5 and 1.7 μmol per animal, respectively.\(^3\)

References