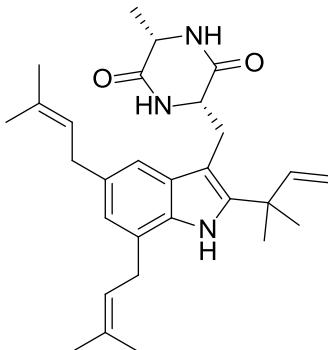


Echinulin

Code No.: **BIA-E1684**

Pack sizes: **1 mg, 5 mg**



Synonyms : Echinuline

Specifications

CAS #	: 1859-87-6
Molecular Formula	: C₂₉H₃₉N₃O₂
Molecular Weight	: 461.6
Source	: <i>Aspergillus</i> sp.
Appearance	: Off-white solid
Purity	: >95% by HPLC
Long Term Storage	: -20°C
Solubility	: Soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF or DMSO.

Application Notes

Echinulin is a diketopiperazine isolated originally from *Aspergillus echinulatus* by Quilico and Cardini, University of Florence, Italy in 1943. Echinulin is a unique secondary metabolite with the tryptophan component comprising a triprenylated indole in the 2-, 5- and 7- positions. The high level of prenylation and the "reverse" incorporation of the 2-prenyl group stimulated a large number of articles on the metabolite's biosynthesis. Echinulin has pulmonary and hepatic toxicity but despite extensive interest, its pharmacology is largely unexplored.

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