

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Curvularin Code: BIA-C1125

Pack sizes: 1 mg, 5 mg

Synonyms : S-Curvularin, NSC 166071

Specifications

CAS # : 10140-70-2 Molecular Formula : $C_{16}H_{20}O_5$ Molecular Weight : 292.33

Source : Penicillium sp. FP1768

Appearance : White solid
Purity : >99% by HPLC

Long Term Storage : -20°C

Solubility : Soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF or DMSO. Poor water solubility.

Application Notes

Curvularin is a 12-membered macrocyclic lactone incorporating a resorcinyl moiety produced by a number of fungal species across several genera including Curvularia, Penicillium and Alternaria. Curvularin exhibits a distinctly different biological profile to the structurally similar resorcylic acid lactones such as the zearalananones, radicicol and antibiotic LL Z1640-2. Curvularin has been shown to inhibit cell division by disrupting mitotic spindle formation and is known to be phytotoxic. More recent investigations have shown that curvularin is a highly selective transcription-based inhibitor of the iNOS-dependent NO production, acting on the Janus tyrosine kinase-STAT pathway. This action offers an approach to the development of drugs inhibiting iNOS overproduction associated with NO pathophysiology.

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