

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Ionomycin Code: BIA-I1261

Pack sizes: 1 mg, 5 mg

Synonyms : SQ 23377, Antibiotic SQ 23377, EM 94, Antibiotic EM 94

Specifications

CAS # : 56092-81-0 Molecular Formula : $C_{41}H_{72}O_{9}$ Molecular Weight : 709.0

Source : Streptomyces conglobatus

Appearance : Waxy solid
Purity : > 98% by HPLC

Storage : -20°C

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

Application Notes

lonomycin was isolated *from Streptomyces conglobatus* as a potent antibiotic selective for Gram +ve bacteria. During the isolation it was recognised that ionomycin exhibits a very high affinity and selectivity for calcium ions suggesting the metabolite acts as a calcium ionophore. More recently, ionomycin has been used in cell biology as a universal calcium ionophore to explore the role of calcium regulation in the cell.

References

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