

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Rebeccamycin

Code: **BIA-R1075**

Pack sizes: 0.5 mg, 2.5 mg

Synonyms

Specifications

CAS # : 93908-02-2 Molecular Formula : $C_{27}H_{21}Cl_2N_3O_7$

Molecular Weight : 570.4

Source : Lechevalieria sp. MST-AS5787

Appearance : Dull yellow lyophilisate

Purity : > 99% by HPLC

Long Term Storage : +4°C

Solubility : Soluble in THF or DMSO. Poorly soluble in methanol and water.

Application Notes

Rebeccamycin is an indolocarbazole isolated from *Lechevalieria aerocolonigenes*. It displays selective antitumour activity against several cell lines. Rebeccamycin acts by strong DNA intercalation resulting in the potent catalytic inhibition of both topoisomerases I and II. Analogues of rebeccamycin are currently in several clinical trials for cancer therapy.

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