PRODUCT INFORMATION



Berberine (chloride)

Item No. 10006427

CAS Registry No.: 633-65-8

Formal Name: 5,6-dihydro-9,10-dimethoxy-

benzo[g]-1,3-benzodioxolo[5,6-a]

quinolizinium, monochloride

Synonyms: BBR, Umbellatine, NSC 163088,

NSC 646666

 $C_{20}H_{18}NO_4 \bullet CI$ MF:

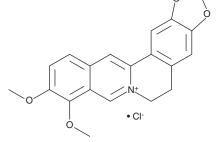
FW: 371.8 **Purity:** ≥95%

 λ_{max} : 230, 266, 348, 431 nm UV/Vis.:

A crystalline solid Supplied as:

Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥4 years Item Origin: Synthetic

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



Laboratory Procedures

Berberine (chloride) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the berberine (chloride) in the solvent of choice. Berberine (chloride) is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF), which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of berberine (chloride) in ethanol and DMF is approximately 500 µg/ml and approximately 25 mg/ml in DMSO.

Berberine (chloride) is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, berberine (chloride) should first be dissolved in DMSO and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Berberine (chloride) has a solubility of approximately 0.2 mg/ml in a 1:4 solution of DMSO:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Berberine is an isoquinoline alkaloid that has been found in C. fenestratum and has diverse biological activities. 1-5 It induces frameshift mutations and gene crossovers in haploid and diploid strains of S. cerevisiae in the exponential growth phase, respectively, when used at a concentration of 50 µg/ml.² Berberine is active against the S. aureus strains ATCC 25922 and NCTC 8530 (MIC = 250 μ g/ml for both).³ It decreases contusion volume, ventricle enlargement, and neurological deficits in a mouse model of controlled cortical impact-induced traumatic brain injury (TBI) when administered at a dose of 10 mg/kg.4 Berberine (50 mg/kg) reduces serum LDL cholesterol levels in hamsters fed a high-fat high-cholesterol diet.⁵

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WARNING
THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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