# **PRODUCT** INFORMATION



## Acetyl Podocarpic Acid Anhydride

Item No. 10007686

| CAS Registry No.:  | 344327-48-6  |
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| Formal Name:   | 6-(acetyloxy)-1,2,3,4,4a,9,10,10a-                       |
|  | octahydro-1,4a-dimethyl-1-                               |
|  | phenanthrenecarboxylic acid, anhydride $\circ = \langle$ |
| Synonyms:  | Acetylpodocarpic dimer, APD                              |
| MF:  | $C_{38}H_{46}O_7$  |
| FW:  |  |
| Purity:  | ≥98%   |
| UV/Vis.:   | λ <sub>max</sub> : 208, 268 nm                           |
| Supplied as:   | A crystalline solid                                      |
| Storage:   | -20°C  |
| Stability:   | ≥4 years   |
| Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis. |  |

#### Laboratory Procedures

Acetyl podocarpic acid anhydride (APD) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the APD in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. APD is soluble in the organic solvent dimethyl formamide at a concentration of approximately 1 mg/ml.

#### Description

The liver X receptors (LXR $\alpha$  and LXR $\beta$ ) are nuclear hormone receptors whose native ligands are oxysterols.<sup>1</sup> APD is a potent, semisynthetic LXR agonist derived from extracts of the mayapple. APD acting through LXR in concert with the retinoid X receptor (RXR), its heterodimerization partner, induces the expression of the ABCA1 reverse cholesterol transporter.<sup>2</sup> This acts to increase the efflux of cholesterol from enterocytes and thus inhibits the overall absorption of cholesterol (ED<sub>50</sub> value of 1 nM).<sup>3</sup> In transient transactivation assays, APD was found to be approximately 1,000 times more potent and have 8-10-fold greater maximal stimulation of LXR than 22(R)-hydroxy cholesterol.<sup>3,4</sup> APD can be used as a positive control for the testing of LXR agonists, which have potential as therapeutic agents for the treatment of atherosclerosis.

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#### SAFFTY DATA

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