# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## 20-hydroxy Ecdysone

Item No. 16145

CAS Registry No.: 5289-74-7

(5β)-2β,3β,14,20,22R,25-Formal Name:

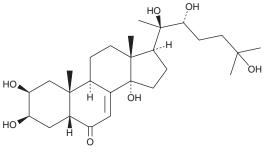
hexahydroxy-cholest-7-en-6-one

Synonyms: Ecdysterone, Isoinokosterone

MF:  $C_{27}H_{44}O_{7}$ FW: 480.6 ≥98% **Purity:** UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : 243 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**

20-hydroxy Ecdysone is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the 20-hydroxy ecdysone in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. 20-Hydroxy Ecdysone is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF). The solubility of 20-hydroxy ecdysone in ethanol is approximately 25 mg/ml and approximately 30 mg/ml in DMSO and DMF.

Further dilutions of the stock solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline should be made prior to performing biological experiments. Ensure that the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of 20-hydroxy ecdysone can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline solid in aqueous buffers. The solubility of 20-hydroxy ecdysone in PBS (pH 7.2) is approximately 10 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

#### Description

20-Hydroxy Ecdysone is an ecdysteroid hormone produced in arthropod species that induces developmental changes associated with ecdysis and the completion of metamorphosis. It is also produced in plants as a defensive strategy to disrupt the development of insect pests.<sup>2</sup> In target tissues, 20-hydroxy ecdysone binds to the nuclear hormone receptor, ecdysone receptor, initiating a signaling cascade that results in cell cycle arrest.<sup>1,3</sup> Ecdysteroids such as this compound have been employed as tools in inducible gene regulation systems controlled by reporter cells transfected with the ecdysone receptor.<sup>4,5</sup>

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WARNING
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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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