# PRODUCT INFORMATIO



## **Apamin (trifluoroacetate salt)**

Item No. 17082

CAS Registry No.: 24345-16-2

Formal Name: L-cysteinyl-L-asparaginyl-L-cysteinyl-L-lysyl-

> L-alanyl-L-prolyl-L-α-glutamyl-L-threonyl-Lalanyl-L-leucyl-L-cysteinyl-L-alanyl-L-arginyl-Larginyl-L-cysteinyl-L-glutaminyl-L-glutaminyl-Lhistidinamide, cyclic  $(1\rightarrow11)$ ,  $(3\rightarrow15)$ -bis(disulfide),

trifluoroacetate salt

Synonym: Ro 23-6721

 $C_{79}H_{131}N_{31}O_{24}S_4 \bullet XCF_3COOH_{2,027.3}$ MF:

FW: **Purity:** ≥95% A solid Supplied as: Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥4 years

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

### **Laboratory Procedures**

Apamin (trifluoroacetate salt) is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the apamin (trifluoroacetate salt) in water. The solubility of apamin (trifluoroacetate salt) in water is approximately 1 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

#### Description

Apamin is an 18-amino acid peptide toxin that has been found in honey bee (A. mellifera) venom. 1.5 It is an inhibitor of small conductance calcium-activated potassium ( $K_{Ca}$ 2.2/SK2) channels ( $IC_{50}$ s = 0.06-0.4 nM).<sup>1</sup> It is selective for  $K_{Ca}2.2/SK2$  channels over  $K_{Ca}2.1/SK1$  and  $K_{Ca}2.3/SK3$  channels ( $IC_{50}s = 1-12$  and 1-13 nM, respectively), as well as the intermediate-conductance calcium-activated potassium channel  $K_{Ca}$ 3.1/SK4 at 1  $\mu$ M but does inhibit voltage-gated potassium channel 1.3 (K<sub>2</sub>1.3; IC<sub>50</sub> = 13 nM).<sup>1,2,6</sup> Apamin (50  $\mu$ g/kg) reduces CD8+ cell infiltration into the CNS and the severity of experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE), as well as increased peripheral blood levels of CD62L<sup>-</sup>, CD44L<sup>-</sup>, and CD44<sup>+</sup> memory T cells in mice.<sup>7</sup> It has commonly been used to determine the role of  $K_{Ca}/SK$  channels in the brain, vascular endothelium, and bladder.3-5,8

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

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