# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## **Nitecapone**

Item No. 18656

CAS Registry No.: 116313-94-1

3-[(3,4-dihydroxy-5-nitrophenyl) Formal Name:

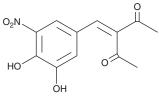
methylene]-2,4-pentanedione

Synonym: OR-462 C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>6</sub> 265.2 MF: FW: ≥98% **Purity:** 

UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{max}$ : 225, 301 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**

Nitecapone is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the nitecapone in the solvent of choice. Nitecapone is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF), which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of nitecapone in ethanol is approximately 5 mg/ml and approximately 30 mg/ml in DMSO and DMF.

Nitecapone is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, nitecapone should first be dissolved in DMSO and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Nitecapone has a solubility of approximately 0.5 mg/ml in a 1:1 solution of DMSO:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

### Description

Nitecapone is a reversible inhibitor of S-catechol-O-methyltransferase (S-COMT;  $IC_{50}$  = 300 nM in rat liver).<sup>1</sup> It is selective for S-COMT over tyrosine hydroxylase, dopamine-β-hydroxylase, DOPA decarboxylase, monoamine oxidase A (MAO-A), and MAO-B (IC<sub>50</sub>s = >1  $\mu$ M for all). In vivo, nitecapone inhibits liver, duodenal, and brain S-COMT ( $ID_{50}$ s = 5, 5, and 25 mg/kg, respectively). Nitecapone (3-30 mg/kg) reduces 3-O-methyl-DOPA (3-OMD) formation and increases serum and brain L-DOPA, dopamine, and DOPAC levels when administered in combination with L-DOPA (Item No. 13248) and carbidopa (Item No. 23783). Nitecapone (30 mg/kg) reduces mechanical and cold allodynia in a rat model of spinal nerve ligation-induced neuropathy.2

#### References

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- 2. Kambur, O., Männistö, P.T., Pusa, A.M., et al. Eur. J. Pain. 15(7), 732-740 (2015).

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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