PRODUCT INFORMATION



Germicidin B

Item No. 20591

CAS Registry No.: 150973-78-7

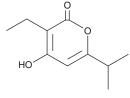
3-ethyl-4-hydroxy-6-(1-methylethyl)-Formal Name:

2H-pyran-2-one

MF: $C_{10}H_{14}O_3$ 182.2 FW: **Purity:** ≥95% Supplied as: A solid Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥4 years

Item Origin: Bacterium/Streptomyces sp.

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



Laboratory Procedures

Germicidin B is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the germicidin B in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Germicidin B is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, methanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide.

Description

Germicidin B is a pyranone antibiotic originally derived from Streptomyces. It acts as a reversible, autoregulative inhibitor of spore germination and hyphal elongation in the genus Streptomyces at concentrations as low as 200 pM.^{1,2} During germination, spores of Streptomyces excrete germicidin B along with other germicidin homologs, which inhibit germination of its own arthrospores. 1,2 At higher concentrations, germicidin can inhibit the porcine brain Na^+/K^+ -dependent ATPase ($ID_{50} = 100 \mu M$) and prevent the germination of the cress L. sativum.¹

References

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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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