# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## 3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate)

Item No. 20737

CAS Registry No.: 200630-46-2

Formal Name: 3-methoxy-L-tyrosine, monohydrate

MF:  $C_{10}H_{13}NO_4 \bullet H_2O$ 

FW: **Purity:** UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{max}$ : 278 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**

3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the 3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate) in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. 3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate) is soluble in the organic solvent DMSO. The solubility of 3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate) in DMSO is approximately 1 mg/ml.

3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate) is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, 3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate) should first be dissolved in DMSO and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. 3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (hydrate) has a solubility of approximately 0.25 mg/ml in a 1:3 solution of DMSO:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

### Description

3-O-methyl-L-DOPA is an active metabolite of L-DOPA (Item No. 13248). It is formed from L-DOPA via O-methylation by catechol-O-methyltransferase (COMT). 3-O-methyl-L-DOPA (10 and 100 µM) inhibits L-DOPA-induced neuroprotection in primary rat mesencephalic dopaminergic neurons.<sup>2</sup>

#### 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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