PRODUCT INFORMATION



Deoxycholic Acid

Item No. 20756

CAS Registry No.: 83-44-3

Formal Name: $(3\alpha,5\beta,12\alpha)$ -3,12-dihydroxy-cholan-24-oic acid

Synonyms: Cholanoic Acid, DCA, NSC 8797

MF: $C_{24}H_{40}O_4$ FW: 392.6 **Purity:** ≥95%

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

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

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

Description

DCA is a secondary bile acid that is formed via microbial transformation of cholic acid (Item No. 20250) in the colon. It can be conjugated to glycine or taurine (Item No. 27031) to produce glycodeoxycholic acid (GDCA; Item No. 20274) or taurodeoxycholic acid (TDCA; Item No. 15935), respectively, in hepatocytes.¹⁻³ DCA (0.2% v/v) inhibits spore germination induced by taurocholic acid (TCA; Item No. 16215) in seven C. difficile strains, as well as inhibits growth and decreases the cytotoxicity of C. difficile culture supernatants to Vero cells when used at a concentration of 0.02% v/v. It inhibits ionizing radiation-induced p53-dependent transcription in a reporter assay using HCT116 cells when used at a concentration of 200 μM.⁴ Fecal and intestinal tissue levels of DCA are increased in a rat model of high-fat diet-induced obesity compared with rats fed a normal diet.⁵ Increased serum DCA levels have been found in patients with colorectal cancer.⁶

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

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