# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## Mefenamic Acid

Item No. 23650

CAS Registry No.: 61-68-7

Formal Name: 2-[(2,3-dimethylphenyl)amino]-benzoic acid

Synonyms: C.I. 473, CN 35355, NSC 94437

MF:  $C_{15}H_{15}NO_{2}$ FW: 241.3 **Purity:** ≥98% Supplied as: A solid 4°C Storage: Stability: ≥4 years

OH

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

#### **Laboratory Procedures**

Mefenamic acid is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the mefenamic acid in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Mefenamic acid is slightly soluble in DMSO and methanol.

#### Description

Mefenamic acid is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) and a COX-2 inhibitor. 1 It binds to COX-2 (K<sub>d</sub> = 4 nM) and inhibits COX-2-dependent oxygenation of arachidonic acid (Item Nos. 90010 | 90010.1  $\mid$  10006607) in vitro (K<sub>i</sub> = 10  $\mu$ M). Mefenamic acid (30 mg/kg) reduces acetic acid-induced writhing in rats.<sup>2</sup> It inhibits increases in skin thickness in a mouse model of delayed-type hypersensitivity induced by dinitrochlorobenzene (DNBC).<sup>2</sup> Mefenamic acid also reduces the antibody response to sheep red blood cells in mice.

### References

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WARNING
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