# PRODUCT INFORMATION



# Umbelliferone

Item No. 24665

CAS Registry No.: 93-35-6

Formal Name: 7-hydroxy-2H-1-benzopyran-2-one Synonyms: 7-hydroxy Coumarin, NSC 19790

MF:  $C_9H_6O_3$ FW: 162.1 Purity: ≥98% UV/Vis.:

 $\lambda_{\text{max}}\!\!:$  326 nm 330 and 370/460 nm Ex./Em.: 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**

Umbelliferone is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the umbelliferone in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Umbelliferone is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, methanol, and DMSO. The solubility of umbelliferone in ethanol and methanol is approximately 5 mg/ml and approximately 10 mg/ml in DMSO.

### Description

Umbelliferone is a naturally occurring derivative and metabolite of coumarin that has diverse biological activities including antitumor and antidepressant-like properties. 1-3 It inhibits the growth of a variety of human cell lines, including human ACHN renal, A549 lung, HCT15 colon, and LNCaP prostate carcinoma as well as Dakiki myeloma and HL-60 lymphoma cells, when used at concentrations ranging from 250 to 300 µg/ml. It also reversibly inhibits the production of prostate-specific androgen in LNCaP prostate cancer cells. Umbelliferone increases the production of reactive oxygen species (ROS), depolarizes the mitochondrial membrane, and halts the cell cycle at the  $G_0/G_1$  phase in KB human oral carcinoma cells.<sup>2</sup> In a rat model of depression induced by chronic unpredictable mild stress, umbelliferone (15 and 30 mg/kg) decreases immobility time in the forced swim test and increases sucrose consumption in the sucrose preference test, indicating antidepressant-like activity.<sup>3</sup> Umbelliferone has been used as a ratiometric pH indicator that displays an emission maxima of 460 nm when solutions with a pH of less than six or greater than eight are excited at 330 and 370 nm, respectively.<sup>4</sup>

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

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