PRODUCT INFORMATION



Acifran

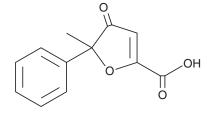
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CAS Registry No.: 72420-38-3

Formal Name: 4,5-dihydro-5-methyl-4-oxo-5-phenyl-2-

furancarboxylic acid

Synonym: (±)-Acifran MF: $C_{12}H_{10}O_4$ 218.2 FW: **Purity:** ≥98% Supplied as: A 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

Acifran is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the acifran in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Acifran is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol and DMSO. The solubility of acifran in these solvents is approximately 100 mM.

Description

Acifran is a niacin receptor agonist.^{1,2} It binds to hydroxycarboxylic acid receptor 2 (HCA₂), known previously as G protein-coupled receptor 109A (GPR109A) and niacin receptor 1, with an IC50 value of 1.12 μ M, as well as induces ERK1/2 phosphorylation in CHO-K1 cells expressing HCA $_2$ or HCA $_3$, also known as GPR109B and niacin receptor 2, when used at concentrations ranging from 0.01 to 10 μM. Acifran (1 mg/kg) reduces serum triglyceride and LDL levels and increases the ratio of HDL to total cholesterol in hyperlipidemic rats.3 It also reduces serum triglyceride levels in a rat model of diabetes induced by streptozotocin (STZ; Item No. 13104).

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WARNING
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