# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## $\gamma_1$ -MSH (human, mouse, rat, bovine) (trifluoroacetate salt) Item No. 41554

Formal Name: L-tyrosyl-L-valyl-L-

> methionylglycyl-L-histidyl-L-phenylalanyl-L-arginyl-Ltryptophyl-L-α-aspartyl-Larginyl-L-phenylalaninamide,

trifluoroacetate salt

 $\gamma_1$ -Melanocyte-stimulating Synonym:

Hormone

Peptide Sequence: YVMGHFRWDRF-NH<sub>2</sub>

 $C_{72}H_{97}N_{21}O_{14}S \bullet XCF_3^{-}COOH$  1,512.7 MF:

FW: **Purity:** ≥95% Supplied as: A solid Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥4 years • XCF<sub>2</sub>COOH

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

#### **Laboratory Procedures**

 $\gamma_1$ -Melanocyte-stimulating hormone ( $\gamma_1$ -MSH) (human, mouse, rat, bovine) (trifluoroacetate salt) is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the  $\gamma_1$ -MSH (human, mouse, rat, bovine) (trifluoroacetate salt) in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas.  $\gamma_1$ -MSH (human, mouse, rat, bovine) (trifluoroacetate salt) is soluble (≥10 mg/ml) in DMSO.

Further dilutions of the stock solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline should be made prior to performing biological experiments. Ensure that the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of  $\gamma_1$ -MSH (human, mouse, rat, bovine) (trifluoroacetate salt) can be prepared by directly dissolving the solid in aqueous buffers.  $\gamma_1$ -MSH is soluble ( $\geq$ 10 mg/ml) in PBS (pH 7.2). We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

## Description

 $\gamma_1$ -MSH is a peptide hormone produced by post-translational processing of proopiomelanocortin (POMC) in the pituitary gland. It selectively binds to melanocortin receptor 1 (MC1R) and MC3R over MC4R and MC5R ( $K_i$ s = 0.025, 0.063, >100, and >100  $\mu$ M, respectively, in insect cells expressing the human receptors) but also binds to opioid receptors in rat brain tissue homogenates (IC<sub>50</sub> = 5.9  $\mu$ M). <sup>1,2</sup>  $\gamma_1$ -MSH (10  $\mu$ M) inhibits contractions induced by the neuropeptide FMRF-amide in isolated M. edulis catch muscle.4 Intracisternal administration of  $\gamma_1$ -MSH (0.3 nmol/animal) increases the latency to tail flick in the tail-flick test and inhibits haloperidol-induced catalepsy in mice.  $^5$   $\gamma_1$ -MSH (0.01 nmol/animal) also inhibits LPS-induced nitric oxide (NO) release in mouse forebrain *in vivo*.  $^2$ 

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