# PRODUCT INFORMATION



# (R)-nitro-Blebbistatin

Item No. 9001935

CAS Registry No.: 1217619-62-9

Formal Name: (3aR)-1,2,3,3a-tetrahydro-3a-

hydroxy-7-nitro-1-phenyl-4H-

pyrrolo[2,3-b]quinolin-4-one

Synonym: R-(-)-7-Desmethyl-8-nitro Blebbistatin

MF:  $C_{17}H_{13}N_3O_4$ FW: 323.3 **Purity:** ≥98%

UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : 234, 270, 315, 350, 443 nm

Supplied as: A crystalline solid

-20°C Storage: Stability: ≥2 years

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

## **Laboratory Procedures**

(R)-nitro-Blebbistatin is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the (R)-nitro-blebbistatin in the solvent of choice. (R)-nitro-Blebbistatin is soluble in organic solvents such as DMSO and dimethyl formamide (DMF), which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of (R)-nitro-blebbistatin in these solvents is approximately 25 and 20 mg/ml, respectively.

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

### Description

(R)-nitro-Blebbistatin is a more stable form of (+)-blebbistatin (Item No. 13165), which is the inactive form of (-)-blebbistatin (Item No. 13013). Prolonged exposure to blue light (450-490 nm) results in degradation of blebbistatin to an inactive product via cytotoxic intermediates, which may be problematic for its use in fluorescent live cell imaging applications.  $^{1.2}$  The addition of a nitro group stabilizes the molecule to circumvent its degradation by prolonged blue light exposure.<sup>3</sup> (R)-nitro-Blebbistatin has the same stereochemistry as the inactive (+)-blebbistatin enantiomer.

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WARNING
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