

Small Molecules

Tamoxifen

Estrogen signaling pathway modulator; Modulates selective estrogen receptor and estrogen-related receptor

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| Catalog # | 72662 | 500 mg |
| | 72664 | 5 g |
| | 72666 | 10 g |



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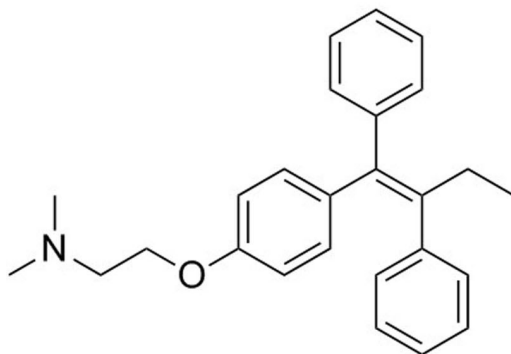
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Product Description

Tamoxifen is a selective estrogen receptor modulator (SERM), with tissue-specific antagonistic or agonistic effects. Receptor activation leads to the formation of homo- and hetero-dimers, which in turn interact with accessory proteins to regulate gene transcription. Tamoxifen is commonly used to activate Cre-ER in transgenic conditional models.

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| Molecular Name: | Tamoxifen |
| Alternative Names: | trans-Tamoxifen |
| CAS Number: | 10540-29-1 |
| Chemical Formula: | C ₂₆ H ₂₉ NO |
| Molecular Weight: | 371.5 g/mol |
| Purity: | ≥ 95% |
| Chemical Name: | 2-[4-[(1Z)-1,2-diphenyl-1-buten-1-yl]phenoxy]-N,N-dimethyl-ethanamine |
| Structure: | |



Properties

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| Physical Appearance: | A crystalline solid |
| Storage: | Product stable at -20°C as supplied. Protect from prolonged exposure to light. For long-term storage, store with a desiccant. Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt. |
| Solubility: | · DMSO ≤ 5.4 mM · Absolute ethanol ≤ 50 mM · DMF ≤ 50 mM For example, to prepare a 10 mM stock solution in absolute ethanol, resuspend 10 mg in 2.69 mL of absolute ethanol. |

Prepare stock solution fresh before use. Information regarding stability of small molecules in solution has rarely been reported, however, as a general guide we recommend storage in DMSO at -20°C. Aliquot into working volumes to avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. The effect of storage of stock solution on compound performance should be tested for each application.

Compound has low solubility in aqueous media. For use as a cell culture supplement, stock solution should be diluted into culture medium immediately before use. Avoid final DMSO concentration above 0.1% due to potential cell toxicity.

Published Applications

CELL LINE DEVELOPMENT

- Used in transgenic models to induce Cre-mediated recombination in conjunction with Cre-ER, a fusion protein consisting of Cre recombinase and a mutant form of the estrogen receptor hormone-binding domain that specifically binds tamoxifen but not estrogen (Feil et al.; Zhang et al.).

CANCER RESEARCH

- Inhibits growth in the human breast cancer cell line, MCF-7 (Katzenellenbogen et al.).
- Antagonist of estrogen receptor action in breast tissue and breast cancer cells (Abe et al.; Horwitz et al.).

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