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DATASHEET

Methylene Blue

Product overview

Name	Methylene Blue
Cat No	HB0409
Biological description	Biological dye, redox indicator and soluble guanylyl cyclase inhibitor. Reduces tau protein aggregation ($IC_{50} = 1.9 \mu M$). Also shows antimalarial, antioxidant and neuroprotective actions.
Biological action	Dyes & stains
Purity	>80%
Description	Biological dye, redox indicator and soluble guanylyl cyclase inhibitor

Images



Solubility & Handling

Storage instructions	Room temperature
Solubility overview	Soluble in water (50mg/ml), and in ethanol (70mg/ml)
Important	This product is for RESEARCH USE ONLY and is not intended for therapeutic or diagnostic use. Not for human or veterinary use.

Chemical Data

Chemical name	[7-(dimethylamino)phenothiazin-3-ylidene]-dimethylazanium chloride
Molecular Weight	373.9
Chemical structure	
Molecular Formula	$C_{16}H_{18}ClN_3S$
CAS Number	7220-79-3
PubChem identifier	104827
SMILES	<chem>CN(C)C1=CC2=C(C=C1)N=C3C=CC(=[N+](C)C)C=C3S2.O.O.O.[Cl-]</chem>
InChiKey	XQAXGZLFSSPBMK-UHFFFAOYSA-M
MDL number	MFCD00150006
Appearance	Green solid

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