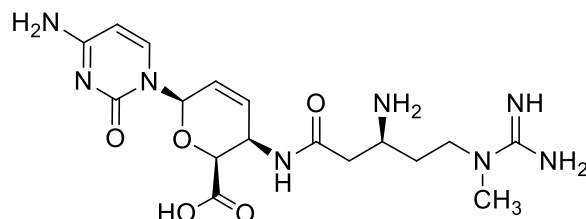


Blasticidin S

Code No.: **BIA-B1425**

Pack sizes: **1 mg, 5 mg**



Synonyms : Cytovarín, Bla-S, 21544, A83094C, NSC 91770

Specifications

CAS #	: 2079-00-7
Molecular Formula	: C₁₇H₂₆N₈O₅
Molecular Weight	: 422.4
Source	: <i>Streptomyces</i> sp.
Appearance	: White solid
Purity	: >95% by HPLC
Long Term Storage	: -20°C
Solubility	: Soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF or DMSO. Good water solubility.

Application Notes

Blasticidin S is a nucleoside produced by several species of *Streptomyces*, first reported in the late 1950s. Blasticidin S is an antifungal agent with particularly potent activity against the rice pathogen, *Piricularia oryzae*, for which it was used commercially for some time in Japan. Blasticidin S inhibits protein synthesis and is active against bacteria, tumor cell lines and nematodes. More recently, blasticidin S has been used as a marker for strain manipulations. Blasticidin S provided by BioAustralis is presented as the free base to avoid problems associated with the use of the hydrochloride.

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