

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Code No.: BIA-K2207

Pack sizes: 5 mg, 25 mg



Synonyms

NSC 58973, 4-Hydroxyquinoline-2-carboxylic acid, Quinurenic acid

## Specifications

Kynurenic acid

CAS #	:	492-27-3
Molecular Formula	:	C10H7NO3
Molecular Weight	:	189.17
Source	:	Synthetic
Appearance	:	Off-white to grey solid
Purity	:	>95% by HPLC
Long Term Storage	:	-20°C
Solubility	:	Soluble in methanol or DMSO

## **Application Notes**

Kynurenic acid is an endogenous tryptophan metabolite of mammals and a constituent of Ephedra transitoria. Kynurenic acid is an antagonist of N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) and  $\alpha$ -7 nicotinic acetylcholine ( $\alpha$ 7nACh) receptors and scavenges hydroxyl radicals under controlled conditions of free radical production. Kynurenic acid activates the AhR signal transduction pathway which has an important role in immune responses and developmental and pathological regulation. Kynurenic acid has analgesic properties via GPR35 activation.

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