

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Code No.: BIA-L1669

Pack sizes: 1 mg, 5 mg

p-Diorsellinic acid; alpha-Orsellinic acid; Glabratic acid; NSC 249981; Parmelialic acid; Synonyms

Specifications

Lecanoric acid

CAS# 480-56-8 Molecular Formula C₁₆H₁₄O₇ Molecular Weight 318.3

Source Parmotrema sp. White solid **Appearance**

Purity >95% by HPLC

-20°C Solubility Soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF or DMSO.

Application Notes

Long Term Storage

Lecanoric acid is an orcinol depside found in a broad range of lichen and fungal species. Structurally, lecanoric acid is a dimer of orsellinic acid. Lecanoric acid is a broad antimicrobial agent, exhibiting more potent activity against bacteria than fungi. Lecanoric acid is also active as an immunomodulator, antioxidant, an inhibitor of histidine decarboxylase and is involved in gene activation/suppression. Lecanoric acid is an important standard in the chemotaxonomy of lichens.

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