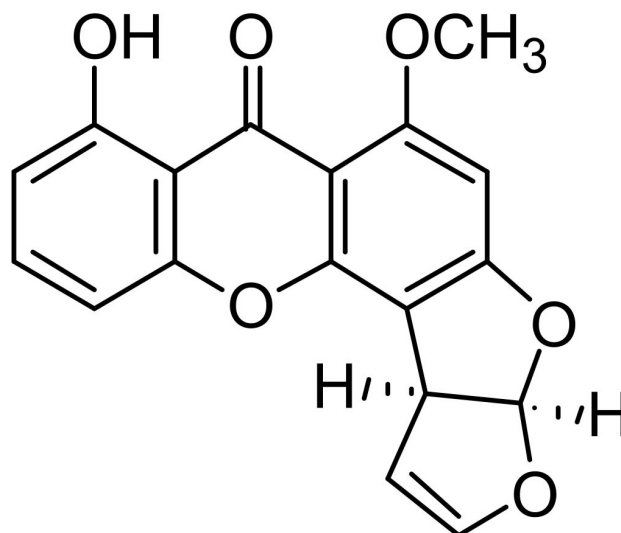


Sterigmatocystin

Code No.: BIA-S1213

Pack sizes.: 1mg, 5mg



Synonyms:

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Specifications

CAS #	: 10048-13-2
Molecular Formula	: C18H12O6
Molecular Weight	: 324.3
Source	: -
Appearance	: Pale yellow solid
Purity	: >95% by HPLC
Long Term Storage	: -20°C
Solubility	: Soluble in DMF or DMSO. Moderately soluble in methanol or ethanol. Poor water solubility.

Application Notes

Sterigmatocystin is a xanthone produced by several species of *Aspergillus*, isolated by a number of research groups in the 1950s as a mycotoxin associated with food and grain contamination. Sterigmatocystin is structurally related to the aflatoxins and, while it is considered to be mutagenic, teratogenic and carcinogenic, it is less widespread and potent than the aflatoxins. Sterigmatocystin, in the presence of microsomes, covalently binds to DNA. It uncouples oxidative phosphorylation but, unlike the aflatoxins, does not induce mitochondrial swelling or hinder Ca²⁺-induced swelling of mitochondria. Sterigmatocystin also inhibits acyl-CoA:cholesterol acyltransferase (ACAT) with selectivity for the ACAT2 isoenzyme.

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