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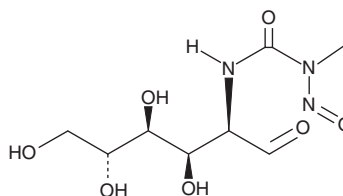
PRODUCT INFORMATION



Streptozotocin

Item No. 13104

CAS Registry No.: 18883-66-4
Formal Name: 2-deoxy-2-[[[(methylnitrosoamino)carbonyl]amino]-D-glucose
Synonyms: Estreptozocin, NSC 37917, NSC 85998, Streptozocin, STZ, U 9889
MF: C₈H₁₅N₃O₇
FW: 265.2
Purity: ≥95% (mixture of isomers)
UV/Vis.: λ_{max}: 229 nm
Supplied as: A crystalline solid
Storage: -20°C
Stability: ≥4 years



Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

Laboratory Procedures

Streptozotocin (STZ) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the STZ in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. STZ is soluble in organic solvents such as DMSO, dimethyl formamide (DMF), and 0.01 M sodium citrate. The solubility of STZ in these solvents is approximately 5 mg/ml in DMSO and DMF and approximately 30 mg/ml in 0.01 M sodium citrate.

Further dilutions of the stock solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline should be made prior to performing biological experiments. Ensure that the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of STZ can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline solid in aqueous buffers. The solubility of STZ in PBS, pH 7.2, is approximately 5 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

STZ is a glucosamine-nitrosourea which is commonly used to induce experimental diabetes in animals.^{1,2} It specifically targets beta cells, entering via the glucose transporter GLUT2 and causing alkylation of DNA.^{3,4} DNA damage induces activation of poly ADP-ribosylation, depletion of cellular NAD⁺ and ATP, and formation of superoxide radicals, leading to the destruction of beta cells.¹ The effectiveness of STZ depends on the level of GLUT2 expression, which in turn may be influenced by age, sex, strain, or species.^{2,5}

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WARNING

THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

SAFETY DATA

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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