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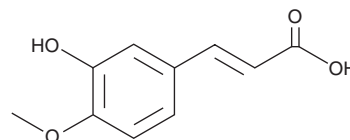
PRODUCT INFORMATION



Isoferulic Acid

Item No. 22715

CAS Registry No.: 537-73-5
Formal Name: 3-(3-hydroxy-4-methoxyphenyl)-2-popenoic acid
Synonyms: 3-methoxy Caffeic Acid, 3-hydroxy-4-Methoxycinnamic Acid, NSC 51987
MF: C₁₀H₁₀O₄
FW: 194.2
Purity: ≥98%
UV/Vis.: λ_{max}: 219, 243, 293, 323 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

Isoferulic acid is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the isoferulic acid in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Isoferulic acid is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF). The solubility of isoferulic acid in these solvents is approximately 10, 15, and 20 mg/ml, respectively.

Isoferulic acid is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, isoferulic acid should first be dissolved in DMF and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Isoferulic acid has a solubility of approximately 0.14 mg/ml in a 1:6 solution of DMF:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

Isoferulic acid is a cinnamic acid derivative that has antidiabetic activity.^{1,2} It binds to and activates α₁-adrenergic receptors (IC₅₀ = 1.4 μM) to enhance secretion of β-endorphin (EC₅₀ = 52.2 nM) and increase glucose use *in vitro*. Isoferulic acid increases glucose uptake and enhances glycogen synthesis in isolated soleus muscles from streptozocin-induced diabetic rats.³ *In vivo*, isoferulic acid induces a dose-dependent reduction in plasma glucose levels in streptozocin-induced diabetic rats. It also inhibits absorbance of intestinal maltase and sucrose *via* α-glucosidase *in vitro* (IC₅₀s = 760 and 450 μM, respectively).⁴

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WARNING

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

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