

Geldanamycin PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Geldanamycin

Product Number: G005

CAS Number: 30562-34-6 Molecular Formula: $C_{29}H_{40}N_2O_9$

Molecular Weight: 560.64 g/mol

Form: Powder

Appearance: Yellow to orange powder

Solubility: DMSO: Soluble

Methanol: Soluble

Methylene chloride: Soluble

Water: 6.34 µg/mL

Source: Streptomyces Hygroscopicus

Melting Point: 201-203°C

Storage Conditions: -20 °C, protect from light

Description: Geldanamycin is a benzoguinone anti-tumor agent which interacts with the

stress induced chaperone protein Hsp90 (heat shock protein 90).

Geldanamycin is insoluble in aqueous solution but soluble in DMSO and

methanol.

Mechanism of Action: Geldanamycin binds specifically to the heat shock protein Hsp90 and to its

endoplasmic reticulum homologue GP96, and thus interferes with

conformational maturation of proteins and the cellular stress response. In addition, it is a potent inhibitor of the nuclear hormone receptor family.

Cancer Applications In normal cells, Hsp90 stabilizes and folds proteins, however, in tumor cells,

Hsp90 activity helps stabilize mutated growth factor and signal proteins which facilitate tumor growth. To prevent this complication, geldanamycin binds to and inactivates Hsp90 in cancerous cells leading to degradation of cancer cell

proteins.

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