

Ionomycin PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Ionomycin

Product Number: 1003

CAS Number: 56092-81-0

Molecular Formula: $C_{41}H_{72}O_9$

Molecular Weight: 709.0

Appearance: Waxy solid

Storage Conditions: -20°C

Description: Ionomycin was isolated from Streptomyces conglobatus as a potent Gram

positive antibiotic. During isolation, it was recognised that ionomycin exhibits a very high affinity and selectivity for calcium ions, suggesting the metabolite acts as a calcium ionophore. More recently, ionomycin has been used in cell biology as a universal calcium ionophore to explore the role of calcium

regulation in the cell.

Ionomycin is soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF or DMSO. Poor water

solubility.

References: Ionomycin, a new polyether antibiotic. Liu W-C. et al. J. Antibiot. 1978, 31, 815.

Characterization of ionomycin as a calcium ionophore. Liu C. M. & Herman T.

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