

Tetromycin A PRODUCT DATA SHEET

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Product Name: Tetromycin A

Product Number: T086

CAS Number: 180027-83-2

Molecular Formula: $C_{36}H_{48}O_6$

Molecular Weight: 576.8

Appearance: Light tan solid

Storage Conditions: -20°C

Description: Tetromycin A is an unusual tetronic acid, structurally related to kijanimicin,

chlorothricin, saccharocarcin, tetrocarcin and versipelostatin. Tetromycin A has pronounced activity against antibiotic susceptible and resistant Gram positive

bacteria including MRSA. Limited availability has restricted further

investigation of this metabolite in the literature. Several members of this class

have received considerable literature focus. Versipelostatin inhibits

transcription from the promoter of GRP78, a gene that is activated as part of a stress signalling pathway under glucose deprivation resulting in unfolded protein response (UPR). The UPR-inhibitory action is seen only in conditions of glucose deprivation and causes selective and massive killing of the

glucose-deprived cells.

Tetromycin A is soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF and DMSO.

Mechanism of Action: Tetrocarcin A appears to target the phosphatidylinositide-3'-kinase/Akt

signalling pathway.

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