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ProductInformation

Bryostatin 1

Product Number **B 7431** Storage Temperature –20 °C

CAS# 83314-01-6



Product Description

Molecular Formula: $C_{47}H_{68}O_{17}$ Molecular Weight: 905.0 Supplied as white powder or colorless film Purity: Approximately 99% by HPLC

Bryostatin 1 is a macrolactone isolated from the marine bryozoan, *Bugula neritina*, that modulates protein kinase C (PKC) activity. Bryostatins compete with the phorbol esters and diacylglycerols for binding to the cysteine-rich domains CRD1 and CRD2 of PKC. However, while the phorbol esters are tumor promotors, the bryostatins have antineoplastic activity. Bryostain 1 induces an initial rapid activation and autophosphorylation of PKC that results in the translocation of the PKC enzyme to the membrane. PKC is subsequently down-regulated by ubiquitination and proteolysis.¹ The effects of bryostatin 1 are cell type and PKC isoform dependent. For example, in LNCaP human prostate cancer cells, bryostatin 1 induces a transient activation and membrane translocation of PKC α followed by down-regulation, while it induces a prolonged translocation of PKC δ and PKC ϵ to non-nuclear membranes.² Other studies have also indicated that PKC δ is not down-regulated by bryostatin 1.³

Through its activation of PKC, bryostatin-1 induces the phosphorylation of other kinases and regulatory proteins. For example, in NB4 promyelocytic leukemia cells bryostatin 1 induces cell differentiation and the hyperphosphorylation of an abnormal p53 via the MAP kinase signaling pathway. Hyperphosphorylated p53 is subsequently ubiquitinated and degraded.⁴ Bryostatin 1 also induces the phosphorylation of the oncogene Bcl-2 by PKC α . In the acute lymphoblastic leukemia cell line, Reh, the phosphorylation of Bcl-2 leads to its ubiquitin-mediated degradation.⁵ However, in mouse embryonic fibroblasts (MEF), the phosphorylation of Bcl-2 protects against heat-induced apoptosis.⁶

Bryostatin 1 sensitizes cancer cells to the cytotoxic effects of anti-cancer agents. For example, chronic preexposure of leukemia cell lines to bryostatin 1 down-regulates PKC and enhances the cytotoxicity of $1-\beta$ -D-arabinofuranosylcytosine (Ara-C).⁷ In Reh cells bryostatin 1 enhances the the cytotoxicity of auristatin PE and vincristine, perhaps via the down-regulation of Bcl-2.⁸

Preparation Instructions

Bryostatin 1 is soluble in DMSO and ethanol.

Storage/Stability

Store tightly sealed at -20 °C. Bryostatin 1 binds to glass and plastic surfaces in aqueous solutions.

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