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## **ProductInformation**

# Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub> from *Crotalus atrox*

Product Number **P 3770** Storage Temperature 2-8 °C

### **Product Description**

CAS Number: 9001-84-7

Enzyme Commission (EC) Number: 3.1.1.4 Molecular Weight: 14.5 kDa (amino acid sequence)<sup>1</sup> Structure: Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub> is a single polypeptide chain of approximately 123 amino acids containing seven disulfide bridges.

Phospholipase  $A_2$  reacts stereospecifically with most sn-3-phosphoglycerides. The fatty acid ester bonds are hydrolyzed at the C-2 position. This reaction requires calcium for catalysis. The general reaction catalyzed is:

phosphatidylcholine +  $H_2O \rightarrow$  1-acylglycerophosphocholine + fatty acid

Phospholipase  $A_2$  is inhibited *in vitro* by both calpactin I and calpactin II. The calpactins sequester the phospholipid substrate. There is no direct interaction between the calpactins and phospholipase  $A_2$ .<sup>2</sup>

Quinacrine has also been described as an inhibitor of phospholipase  $A_2$  (IC<sub>50</sub> = 17  $\mu$ M)<sup>3</sup>

#### **Precautions and Disclaimer**

For Laboratory Use Only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

#### **Preparation Instructions**

This product is soluble in water (1 mg/ml), yielding a clear, colorless solution.

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