



Product Information

Terazosin hydrochloride

Product Number **T 4680**
Storage Temperature -0 °C

Product Description

Molecular Formula: C₁₉H₂₅N₅O₄ • HCl
Molecular Weight: 423.9
CAS Number: 63590-64-7
Melting Point: 278-279 °C¹
Synonyms: 1-(4-amino-6,7-dimethoxy-2-quinazolinyl)-4-[(tetrahydro-2-furanyl)carbonyl]piperazine hydrochloride; 2-[(4-tetrahydro-2-furoyl)-1-piperazinyl]-4-amino-6,7-dimethoxyquinazoline hydrochloride

Terazosin is an α_1 -receptor blocker that is structurally very similar to prazosin, differing in that terazosin contains a tetrahydrofuran unit at the amide linkage whereas prazosin contains a furan unit. The duration of action of terazosin is extended relative to that of prazosin.^{1,2} A review of the pharmacodynamic and pharmacokinetic properties of terazosin has been published.³

Terazosin (2 μ M) has been shown to abolish the norepinephrine response that leads to enhanced *c-myc*-encoded mRNA levels in cultured cardiac myocytes.⁴ Terazosin has been used to probe apoptosis (15 μ M) and the rate of DNA synthesis (1-100 μ M) in cultured human prostate cancer cells.⁵ It has also been utilized to modulate the effects of brain epinephrine in the regulation of motor activity and movement in mice.⁶

Assays for the detection of terazosin in plasma by HPLC and by HPLC/ESI-MS have been reported.⁷⁻⁹

Precautions and Disclaimer

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

Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in methanol (20 mg/ml), with heat as needed, yielding a clear, colorless solution.

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