

Product Information

MilliShot™ G418 Ready Made Solution

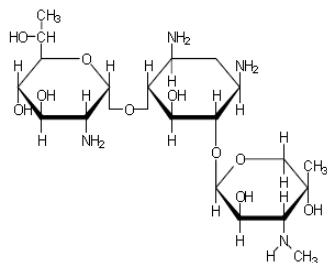
0.2 µm Filtered, BioReagent, Suitable for Cell Culture

G9570

Storage Temperature: 2–8 °C

Concentration: 50 mg/mL

CAS: 108321-42-2



Molecular weight: 692.7

Molecular formula: C₂₀H₄₀N₄O₁₀ • 2H₂SO₄

Specific Rotation: +104.4°

(c = 0.3% in H₂O at 26 °C)

Product Description

The MilliShot™ G418 Ready Made Solution is a potent aminoglycoside antibiotic widely used in molecular biology and genetic engineering, resembling gentamicin and exhibiting toxicity toward both eukaryotic and prokaryotic cells. It serves primarily as a selective agent for isolating and maintaining genetically modified mammalian cells that express the neomycin resistance gene (neo).

In cell transfection experiments, plasmid DNA containing the neo gene is introduced into cells. Only those cells that successfully uptake the plasmid can survive in the presence of MilliShot™ G418 Solution, while non-transfected cells are eliminated. This selection process enables researchers to isolate and propagate stable cell lines that continuously express the transgene, ensuring that only cells expressing the neomycin resistance gene remain.

By applying MilliShot™ G418 Solution, researchers can study gene function and regulation, providing insights into cellular processes and pathways. MilliShot™ G418 Solution can be combined with other antibiotics to enhance selection strategies.

The antibiotic inhibits protein synthesis by binding to the 30S ribosomal subunit, causing misreading of mRNA and producing nonfunctional proteins. This mechanism makes MilliShot™ G418 Solution effective in both bacterial and eukaryotic systems.

Recommended concentrations vary for bacteria and algae, 5 µg/mL; for mammalian cell lines during selection, 300 to 500 µg/mL; and for maintaining transfected mammalian cell lines, 200 µg/mL.

The MilliShot™ G418 Ready Made Solution is available in liquid form formulated to be added as a single vial to 500 mL media.

Precautions and Disclaimer

For R&D use only. Not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

Store MilliShot™ G418 Ready Made Solution at 2–8 °C. The product is stable for at least 2 years in its supplied form.

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