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## Product Information

### Quercetin dihydrate

Product Number **Q 0125**

Store at Room Temperature

#### Product Description

Molecular Formula:  $C_{15}H_{10}O_7 \cdot 2H_2O$

Molecular Weight: 338.3

CAS Number: 6151-25-3

Extinction Coefficient:  $E^{mM} = 19.95$  (257 nm, 95% ethanol) and 21.88 (376 nm, 95% ethanol)<sup>1</sup>

Synonyms: 3,3',4',5,7-Pentahydroxyflavone dihydrate and 2-(3,4-Dihydroxyphenyl)-3,5,7-trihydroxy-4H-1-benzopyran-one dihydrate

Quercitin is a flavone which is a naturally occurring phenolic compound found in green plants. Flavonoids have been reported to contain a large spectrum of pharmacological properties. Some of their effects, including smooth muscle relaxation, anti-inflammatory, inotropic, and diuretic effects, are similar to inhibitors of cyclic nucleotide phosphodiesterase.<sup>2</sup> Quercitin is similar in activity to the mitochondrial ATPase inhibitor protein in that it inhibits both soluble and particulate mitochondrial ATPase and has no effect on oxidative phosphorylation in submitochondrial particles.<sup>3</sup>

Quercitin also inhibits the activity of a large number of different enzymes. Some examples include alcohol dehydrogenase, aldehyde reductase, arachidonate lipoxygenase, carbonyl reductase, casein kinase, 3',5'-cyclic-nucleotide phosphodiesterase, protein kinase C, protein tyrosine kinase I, II, IIA, IIB, and III, phosphatidylinositol kinase, phosphorylase kinase, and pyruvate kinase.<sup>4</sup>

#### Precautions and Disclaimer

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

#### Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in DMSO (24 mg/ml).

#### References

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