

Product Information

WP631

Methanesulfonate salt

Product Number **W 3763**

Storage Temperature $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

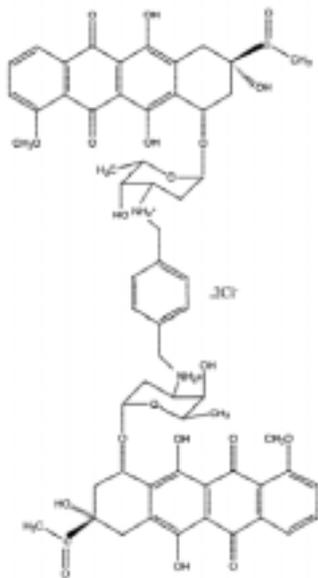


Fig. 1. Chemical structure of WP631.

Product Description

Molecular Formula: $\text{C}_{62}\text{H}_{64}\text{N}_2\text{O}_{20} \cdot \text{C}_2\text{H}_8\text{S}_2\text{O}_6$

Molecular Weight: 1349 (anhydrous)

WP631 is a fluorescent bisintercalating anthracycline antibiotic shown to have activity against multidrug-resistant cancer cells.¹ Composed of two monomeric units of daunorubicin, symmetrically linked together via *p*-xylenyl 3-NH₂ sites, WP631 exhibits extremely high DNA binding affinity.² It is slightly less cytotoxic than daunorubicin in the sensitive cell lines.¹

It inhibits basal transcription by RNA polymerase II. Concentrations of WP631 as low as 60 nM inhibit the Sp1-activated transcription initiation *in vitro*.³ WP631 is approximately 15 times more efficient than

daunorubicin at inhibiting transcription initiation from an adenovirus promoter containing an upstream Sp1-protein binding site.⁴ Jurkat cells treated with nanomolar concentrations of WP631 undergo G₂/M cell cycle arrest, and transcription of *c-myc* and *p53* genes is inhibited.⁵

Reagent

WP631 methanesulfonate is supplied as a dark red solid.

Purity: $\geq 97\%$ (HPLC)

Precautions and Disclaimer

Consult the MSDS for information regarding hazardous and safe handling practices.

Preparation Instructions

The product is soluble in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO) at 5 mg/ml.

Storage/Stability

Store the product at $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

References

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