

Product Information

Tentoxin from *Alternaria tenuis*

Product Number **T 8019**
Storage Temperature 2-8 °C

Product Description

Molecular Formula: C₂₂H₃N₄O₄
Molecular Weight: 414.5
CAS Number: 28540-82-1
Melting Point: 168-172 °C¹
 λ_{max} : 285 nm (H₂O); 285 nm (95% ethanol)¹
Extinction Coefficient: E^{mM} =
17.5 (285 nm, H₂O); 20.7 (282 nm, 95% ethanol)¹
Synonym: cyclo-(L-MeAla¹-L-Leu²-MePhe[(Z) Δ]³-
Gly⁴:TTX

Tentoxin is a naturally occurring phytotoxic cyclic tetrapeptide that is excreted by the fungi *Alternaria alternata* and *Alternaria tenuis*. It induces chlorosis in germinating seedlings of many dicotyledonous plants.^{1,2} Tentoxin has been postulated to inhibit cyclic photophosphorylation by acting as an energy transfer inhibitor at the terminal steps of ATP synthesis and to target the F₁ moiety of photosynthetic H⁺-ATPases.^{3,4} A kinetic analysis of the action of tentoxin on the chloroplast F₁ H⁺-ATPase (CF₁) portion of chloroplast ATP synthase has been reported.⁵

The biosynthesis of tentoxin in *Alternaria alternata* has been studied.⁶ Several *in vitro* syntheses of tentoxin have been published.^{7,8} The metabolism of tentoxin by rat liver microsomes and by human P-450 isozymes expressed in yeast has been probed.⁹ Several NMR studies have investigated the structure of tentoxin.^{1,10}

Precautions and Disclaimer

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

Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in ethanol (10 mg/ml), with heat as needed, yielding a clear, colorless solution.

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