

# Product Information

## Hymeglusin from *Fusarium sp.*

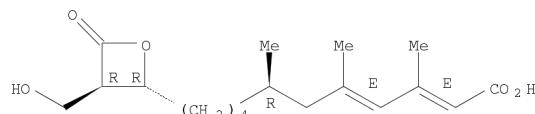
Catalog Number **SML0301**

Storage Temperature –20 °C

CAS RN 29066-42-0

Synonyms: Antibiotic 1233A, F-244, L-659,699

## Product Description



Molecular formula: C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>28</sub>O<sub>5</sub>

Molecular weight: 324.41

Hymeglusin (1233A; F244; L-659-699) is a specific β-lactone inhibitor of eukaryotic hydroxymethylglutaryl-CoA synthase (HMGCS), a key enzyme in the cholesterol biosynthetic pathway.<sup>1,2</sup> Unlike other fungal metabolites, hymeglusin inhibits mevalonate biosynthesis by acting on HMG-CoA synthase, while other metabolites, such as lovastatin (mevinolin) and compactin, act as specific competitive inhibitors of the HMG-CoA reductase.<sup>3</sup> Inhibition results from covalent modification of the active Cys<sup>129</sup> residue by the formation of a thioester adduct in the active site.<sup>4,5</sup> Hymeglusin shows no inhibitory effect against fatty acid synthetase purified from *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.<sup>3</sup>

Hymeglusin was found to block the growth of *Enterococcus faecalis*. After removal of the inhibitor from the culture medium, a growth curve inflection point is observed. Upon hymeglusin inactivation, enzyme activity is restored at a rate that is 8-fold faster for human HMGCS than for the bacterial enzyme (mvaS). Structural studies explain these differences.<sup>4</sup>

Hymeglusin was also found to inhibit the replication of the dengue live virus (DEN-2 NGC virus) in K562 cells. Lovastatin inhibits DEN-2 NGC live virus replication in human peripheral blood mononuclear cells.<sup>6</sup>

Purity: ≥98% (HPLC)

## Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

## Preparation Instructions

Hymeglusin is soluble in DMSO, acetone, ethyl acetate and chloroform. The product is insoluble in water.

## Storage/Stability

Store the product sealed at –20 °C. Under these conditions the product is stable for at least 3 years. A DMSO solution (1 mg/mL) is stable for one month at –20 °C.

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