

α-MAPI**Product Number M 9812**

Storage Temperature –20 °C

Syn: H-Phe-urea-Arg-Val-Phe-CHO, Microbial alkaline proteinase inhibitor α

Product Description

Molecular formula: C₃₀H₄₁N₇O₆
Molecular weight: 595 Da
Purity: Minimum 95% by HPLC

α -MAPI (microbial alkaline proteinase inhibitor) is a synthetic peptidic aldehyde that was originally detected in *Streptomyces*. There are three forms of MAPI, designated α -, β -, and γ -MAPI. This family of protease inhibitors is characterized by having both a ureido functional group and a carboxyl-terminal aldehyde group. α -MAPI binds strongly to the HIV-1 protease and inhibits this protease with a potency comparable to that of pepstatin. It does not inhibit other aspartic proteases. In general, peptidic aldehydes act in the hydrated form as transition-state analogues with an optimum inhibitory concentration of approximately 0.9 μ M.

Product Information

Reagent

α -MAPI is supplied as off-white powder.

Preparation Instructions

α -MAPI is soluble in water at 2 mg/mL with sonication. It is also soluble in methanol.

Storage/Stability

Store desiccated at –20 °C.

References

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