



Product Information

AA-861

Product Number **A 3711**

Storage Temperature 2-8 °C

Product Description

Molecular Formula: $C_{21}H_{26}O_3$

Molecular Weight: 326.4

CAS Number: 80809-81-0

Synonym: 2-(12-hydroxydodeca-5,10-diynyl)-3,5,6-trimethyl-*p*-benzoquinone, 2,3,5-trimethyl-6-(12-hydroxy-5,10-dodecadiynyl)-1,4-benzoquinone^{1,2}

AA-861 is a benzoquinone derivative and a competitive inhibitor of 5-lipoxygenase, an enzyme involved in the biosynthesis of leukotrienes. AA-861 is used to probe fatty acid metabolism and leukotriene production *in vivo*. Studies on guinea pig peritoneal polymorphonuclear leukocytes have indicated an ID_{50} of 0.8 μ M for AA-861 for the inhibition of 5-lipoxygenase activity.² AA-861 has been shown to inhibit endothelium-derived relaxing factor vasodilation in rabbit aorta.³

The inhibition of the A-23187-induced formation of 5-HETE and LTB_4 in rat peritoneal macrophages by AA-861 has been demonstrated.⁴ AA-861 has been used to study proliferation of cultured immature rat cerebellar granule neurons by a [3H]thymidine incorporation assay.⁵ AA-861 has been shown to inhibit the growth of cultured rat Kupffer cells, which play a principal role in liver fibrosis.⁶ A study of steroidogenic acute regulatory (StAR) gene and protein expression in MA-10 Leydig cells has utilized AA-861 at 65 μ M.⁷

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), yielding a clear, yellow to yellow green solution. It is also soluble in acetonitrile, ethyl acetate, and chloroform.

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