

## Catalog # 10-2040 Levetiracetam

CAS# 102767-28-2 2(S)-(2-Oxopyrrolidin-1-yl)butyramide Lot # FBS2025

Levetiracetam is a clinically useful non-classical anticonvulsant.<sup>1</sup> It has no effect on voltage-dependent Na<sup>+</sup> channels, GABAergic transmission, or affinity for either GABAergic or glutaminergic receptors.<sup>2,3</sup> Levetiracetam is believed to act via binding to the synaptic vesicle protein SV2A.<sup>4</sup> Levetiracetam reduced intra-neuronal Ca<sup>2+</sup> levels by inhibition of ryanodine and IP3 receptor-dependent Ca<sup>2+</sup> release from the endoplasmic reticulum.<sup>5</sup> It was also observed to lower the pH of neocortical pyramidal cells via weakening of the transmembrane HCO3<sup>(-)</sup>-mediated acid-extrusion.<sup>6</sup>

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## PHYSICAL DATA

Molecular Weight: 170.21

Molecular Formula: C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

Purity: >98% by HPLC

NMR: (Conforms)

Solubility: DMSO (>25 mg/ml)
Physical Description: White solid

Storage and Stability: Store as supplied at -20°C for up to 1 year from the date of purchase. Solutions in

DMSO may be stored at -20°C for up to 1 month.

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