

## Catalog # 10-2099 Penitrem A

CAS# 12627-35-9 Tremortin A; NSC354845 Lot # X101406

Fungal mycotoxin. Selective, irreversible blocker of the smooth muscle high conductance Ca<sup>2+</sup>-activated K<sup>+</sup> (BK, K<sub>Ca</sub>1.1) channel (100% block at 10 nM).¹ Displays brain neurotoxicity in rats along with dose-dependent convulsions and death.² An important tool for studying the role of BK channels in vascular function which is effective in cellular, tissue and *in vivo* experiments.³ Inhibits BK channels in inside-out and cell-attached patches, whereas iberiotoxin (considered the gold standard BK channel blocker) does not.³ May be used to partially ablate Purkinje cells in immature rat cerebellum providing a model for neural stem cell transplantation studies.⁴ CAUTION: Potent Toxin. Take proper precautions to prevent ingestion, inhalation and skin contact.

- 1) Knaus et al. (1994), Tremorgenic Indole Alkaloids Potently Inhibit Smooth Muscle High-Conductance Calcium-Activated Potassium Channels; Biochemistry, **33** 5819
- 2) Breton et al. (1998), Brain neurotoxicity of Penitrem A: electrophysiological, behavioral and histopathological study: Toxicon. **36** 645
- 3) Asano et al. (2012), Penitrem A as a tool for understanding the role of large conductance Ca(2+)/voltage-sensitive K(+) channels in vascular function; J.Pharmacol.Exp.Ther. **342** 453
- 4) Lu et al. (2008), Toxin-produced Purkinje cell death: a model for neural stem cell transplantation studies; Brain Res. 1207 207

## **PHYSICAL DATA**

Molecular Weight: 634.21 Molecular Formula: C<sub>37</sub>H<sub>44</sub>CINO<sub>6</sub>

Purity: >99% by HPLC

NMR: (Conforms)

Solubility: DMSO (6 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 3 months.

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