

Catalog # 10-2440 Rofecoxib

162011-90-7 4-[4-(methylulfonyl)phenyl]-3-phenyl-2(5H)-furanone MK-966 Lot # X106611

Potent and selective COX-2 inhibitor with 1000-fold selectivity over COX-1, IC₅₀=26 nm vs >50 μ M¹. Potent nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agent¹. Clinically useful NSAID which was withdrawn from use due to cardiovascular side effects³.

- 1) Chan et al. (1999), Rofecoxib [Vioxx, MK-0966; 4-(4'-methylsulfonylphenyl)-3-phenyl-2-(5H)-furanone]: a potent and orally active cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor. Pharmacological and biochemical profiles; J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther., **290** 551
- 2) Catalla-Lawson et al. (2013), Effects of specific inhibition of cyclooxygenase-2 on sodium balance, hemodynamnics and vasoactive eicosanoids; J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther., **289** 735

PHYSICAL DATA

Molecular Weight: 314.36

Molecular Formula: C₁₇H₁₄O₄S

Purity: 98% by HPLC

NMR: (Conforms)

Solubility: DMSO (up to 50 mg/ml)

Physical Description: Off-white solid

Storage and Stability: Store as supplied desiccated at room temperature for up to 2 years from the date of purchase.

Solutions in DMSO may be stored at -20°C for up to 3 months.

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