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**Product Data Sheet**


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Product Name: 5 $\alpha$ ,6 $\beta$ -Dihydroxycholestanol

Cat. No.: GC18176

**Chemical Properties**

Cas. No. 1253-84-5

Chemical Name cholestane-3 $\beta$ ,5 $\alpha$ ,6 $\beta$ -triolSMILES C[C@H](CCCC(C)C)[C@@]1([H])CC[C@@]2([H])[C@]3([H])C[C@@H](O)[C@@]4(O)C[C@@H](O)CC[C@]4(C)[C@@]3([H])CC[C@@]21CFormula C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>48</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

M.Wt 420.7

Solubility DMF: 2 mg/ml, DMSO: 0.1 mg/ml, Ethanol: 20 mg/ml, Ethanol: PBS (pH 7.2)(1:2): 0.3 mg/ml

Store  
Storage at -  
20°C

General tips For obtaining a higher solubility, please warm the tube at 37 °C and shake it in the ultrasonic bath for a while. Stock solution can be stored below -20°C for several months.

Shipping Condition Evaluation sample solution : ship with blue ice All other available size: ship with RT, or blue ice upon request.

Structure **Background**

5 $\alpha$ ,6 $\beta$ -Dihydroxycholestanol is an oxysterol metabolite of cholesterol formed from conversion of cholesterol epoxides by 5,6-epoxysterol hydrolase. It inhibits NMDA-mediated calcium influx in HEK293 cells expressing NR1/NR2B NMDA receptors in a concentration-dependent manner. It also binds to voltage-gated sodium (Nav) channels and decreases action potentials in hippocampal neurons in vitro when used at a concentration of 10  $\mu$ M. It increases survival of spinal cord motoneurons, cortical neurons, and cerebellar granule neurons in vitro when used at concentrations ranging from 5 to 15  $\mu$ M. 5 $\alpha$ ,6 $\beta$ -Dihydroxycholestanol is neuroprotective in a rat model of cerebral ischemia when administered at a dose of 12 mg/kg and increases latency to seizure onset and reduces severity of seizures induced by pentylenetetrazole in rats. 5 $\alpha$ ,6 $\beta$ -Dihydroxycholestanol has been used as a replacement for cholesterol in the study

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of cholesterol binding proteins.

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