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## **Paclitaxel**



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Paclitaxel belongs to the taxane family of antitumor and antileukemic agents (3). By binding to β-tubulin **Background** 

and promoting the assembly of microtubules, paclitaxel prevents microtubual depolymerization and blocks normal cell division (1-3). The microtubule dysfunction induced by paclitaxel results in aberrant cell mitosis

and sometimes apoptosis. The IC<sub>50</sub> of paclitaxel-induced mitotic block is 4 nM (4).

Molecular Formula C<sub>47</sub>H<sub>51</sub>NO<sub>14</sub>

**Molecular Weight** 853.9 g/mol

>99.5% **Purity** 

33069-62-6 **CAS** 

Solubility Soluble in DMSO at 25mg/ml or EtOH at 20mg/ml.

Store lyophilized or in solution at -20°C, desiccated. Protect from light. In lyophilized form, the chemical is Storage

stable for 24 months. Once in solution, use within 3 months to prevent loss of potency. Aliquot to avoid

multiple freeze/thaw cycles.

Paclitaxel is supplied as 1 mg powder. Store at or below -20°C. Before use, dissolve powder in 1.15 ml **Directions for Use:** 

1. Rowinsky, E.K. et al. (1990) J. Natl. Cancer Inst. 82, 1247-1259.

DMSO to make a 1 mM paclitaxel stock solution. For working concentrations of 100 nM-1000 nM, dilute

DMSO stock 1:10,000 to 1:1000. Treat cells with the desired concentration for 6-48 hours.

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4. Long, B.H. and Fairchild, C.R. (1994) Cancer Res. 54, 4355-4361.

**Cross-Reactivity Key** 

H: human M: mouse R: rat Hm: hamster Mk: monkey Vir: virus Mi: mink C: chicken Dm: D. melanogaster

X: Xenopus Z: zebrafish B: bovine Dg: dog Pg: pig Sc: S. cerevisiae Ce: C. elegans Hr: horse

GP: Guinea Pig Rab: rabbit All: all species expected

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