5 mg



Mitomycin C



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Background Mitomycin C, also known as MMC, is an antitumor antibiotic isolated from *Streptomyces caespitosus*

(1). When activated, this alkylating agent crosslinks double stranded DNA resulting in DNA damage (2). Mitomycin C has been found to have lethal effects on HeLa cells during the G_1 phase of the cell cycle (3). DNA damage caused by Mitomycin C can lead to increased levels of p53 that can result in cell cycle

arrest or apoptosis (4).

Molecular Formula C₁₅H₁₈N₄O₅ **Molecular Weight** 334.3 g/mol

Purity >98% CAS 50-07-7

Solubility Soluble in DMSO at 15 mg/ml or water at 1 mg/ml with slight warming.

Storage Store lyophilized at -20°C, desiccated. In lyophilized form, the chemical is stable for 24 months. Once in

solution, store at -20°C and use within 1 month to prevent loss of potency. *Aliquot to avoid multiple*

freeze/thaw cycles.

Directions for UseMitomycin C is supplied as a lyophilized powder. For a 15 mM stock, reconstitute 5 mg of powder in 997

μl of DMSO. Working concentrations and length of treatment can vary depending on the desired effect.

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