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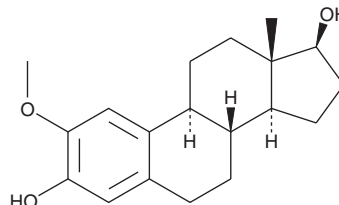
PRODUCT INFORMATION



2-Methoxyestradiol

Item No. 13021

CAS Registry No.: 362-07-2
Formal Name: 2-methoxy-estra-1,3,5(10)-triene-3,17 β -diol
Synonyms: 2-Hydroxyestradiol 2-methyl ether, 2-ME2, NSC 659853, Panzem
MF: C₁₉H₂₆O₃
FW: 302.4
Purity: \geq 95%
UV/Vis.: λ_{max} : 209, 287 nm
Supplied as: A crystalline solid
Storage: -20°C
Stability: \geq 2 years



Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

Laboratory Procedures

2-Methoxyestradiol (2-ME2) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the 2-ME2 in the solvent of choice. 2-ME2 is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF), which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of 2-ME2 in these solvents is approximately 1, 20, and 30 mg/ml, respectively.

2-ME2 is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, 2-ME2 should first be dissolved in DMF and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. 2-ME2 has a solubility of approximately 0.5 mg/ml in a 1:1 solution of DMF:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Description

2-ME2 is a natural metabolite formed by CYP450-mediated hydroxylation followed by catechol-O-methyltransferase (COMT) methylation of estradiol. Administration of 2-hydroxy estradiol (2-HE2) to rats results in formation and clearance of 2-ME2 with $t_{1/2}$ values of 7.9 and 24.9 minutes, respectively.¹ 2-ME2 exhibits no affinity for estrogen receptors. 2-ME2 has achieved considerable attention as an anti-cancer agent acting as an angiogenesis inhibitor *via* the HIF-1 α pathway.²⁻⁴ The levels of COMT and 2-ME2 are significantly lower in women with severe pre-eclampsia.⁵

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WARNING

THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

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