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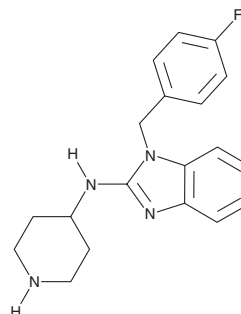
PRODUCT INFORMATION



Norastemizole

Item No. 41828

CAS Registry No.: 75970-99-9
Formal Name: 1-[(4-fluorophenyl)methyl]-N-4-piperidinyl-1H-benzimidazol-2-amine
Synonym: Tecastemizole
MF: C₁₉H₂₁FN₄
FW: 324.4
Purity: ≥98%
Supplied as: A solid
Storage: -20°C
Stability: ≥4 years



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

Laboratory Procedures

Norastemizole is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the norastemizole in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Norastemizole is sparingly soluble (1-10 mg/ml) in DMSO and slightly soluble (0.1-1 mg/ml) in ethanol.

Description

Norastemizole is a histamine H₁ receptor antagonist (IC₅₀ = 4.1 nM) and an active metabolite of the histamine H₁ receptor antagonist and ether-a-go-go (ERG) channel blocker astemizole (Item No. 16967).^{1,2} It is formed from astemizole by the cytochrome P450 (CYP) isoform 3A4 (CYP3A4).² Norastemizole also inhibits currents in a whole-cell patch-clamp assay using HEK293 cells expressing human-ether-a-go-go (hERG), also known as K_v11.1 (IC₅₀ = 27.7 nM).³ It prevents IL-1β-induced increases in the levels of intracellular adhesion molecule-1 (ICAM-1) and vascular cell adhesion molecule-1 (VCAM-1) in human umbilical vein endothelial cells (HUVECs) when used at a concentration of 100 μM.⁴ Norastemizole (1 mg/kg) inhibits passive cutaneous anaphylaxis induced by ovalbumin (OVA) or the biogenic amine histamine (Item No. 33828), but not by bradykinin, in guinea pigs. It inhibits eosinophil infiltration into the lungs of mice in a mouse model of OVA-induced asthma when administered at a dose of 1 mg/kg.

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WARNING

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