

Product Information

Haloperidol

Product Number **H 1512**
Store at Room Temperature

Product Description

Molecular formula: $C_{21}H_{23}ClFNO_2$
Molecular weight: 375.9
CAS number: 52-86-8
Melting point: 148–149.4 °C¹
 $PK_a = 8.3^2$
 $\lambda_{max} = 247 \text{ nm}, 221 \text{ nm}^1$
Extinction coefficient: $E^{mM} = 13.3 (247 \text{ nm}), 15.0 (221 \text{ nm})^1$

Synonyms: 4-[4-(p-Chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidino]-4'-fluorobutyrophenone;
4-[4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxypiperidino]-4'-fluorobutyrophenone;
4-[4-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinyl]-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-butanone; Haldol[®].

Haloperidol is a butyrophenone antipsychotic. It is also classified as a neuroleptic (powerful tranquilizer). It acts as a D₂, D₃, and D₄ dopamine receptor antagonist.

A study on the effect of haloperidol on the expression of heat shock protein in the brain of phencyclidine-treated rats has been published.³ The effect of haloperidol on prepulse inhibition in N-Methyl-D-Aspartic Acid (NMDA) treated rats has also been studied.⁴ The effect of haloperidol on rat C6 glioma cells has also been published.⁵ A comprehensive review article has been published.⁶

Precautions and Disclaimer

For Laboratory Use Only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

Preparation Instructions

The product has very low solubility in water (1.4 mg/100 ml), but it is freely soluble in chloroform, benzene, methanol, acetone, and dilute acids.¹ It is soluble in 0.1 N hydrochloric acid (3 mg/ml) with heating. The hydrochloride salt of haloperidol is soluble in water (3 mg/ml).¹

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