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Product Information

Quinacrine dihydrochloride

Product Number **Q 3251**
Store at Room Temperature

Product Description

Molecular Formula: $C_{23}H_{30}ClN_3O \cdot 2HCl$

Molecular Weight: 472.9

CAS Number: 69-05-6

Melting Point: 248-250 °C,¹

PK_a: 10.3 and 7.7²

Fluorescent Properties:

Excitation maximum = 436 nm²

Emission maximum = 525 nm²

Synonyms: Atebrin dihydrochloride, Mepacrine dihydrochloride, 6-Chloro-9(4-diethylamino-1-methylbutylamino)-2-methoxyacridine dihydrochloride

Quinacrine is an inhibitor of phospholipase A₂ from porcine pancreas (IC₅₀ = 17 μM).³ Quinacrine intercalates with DNA, inhibits some flavoprotein enzymes, and uncouples oxidative and photophosphorylation.² Quinacrine can also be used to differentiate between Y and X chromosomes as Y chromosomes apparently stain much better than X chromosomes using quinacrine and can be distinguished by fluorescent microscopy.⁴

Precautions and Disclaimer

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

Preparation Instructions

This product is soluble in water (50 mg/ml with heat), yielding a clear solution.

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