



Product Information

Chlorpromazine hydrochloride

Product Number **C8138**
Store at Room Temperature

Product Description

Molecular Formula: $C_{17}H_{19}ClN_2S \cdot HCl$
Molecular Weight: 355.3
CAS Number: 69-09-0
Melting Point: 179-180 °C (with decomposition, capillary method); 194-196 °C (microblock method)¹
 λ_{max} : 253 nm (0.12 M HCl)
Extinction Coefficient: $E^{1\%}_{1cm} = 31.5$ (0.12 M HCl)
Synonyms: 2-chloro-N,N-dimethyl-10H-phenothiazine-10-propanamine;
2-chloro-10-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)phenothiazine;
N-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-3-chlorophenothiazine¹

Chlorpromazine is a compound that is used in cell signaling and neuroscience research. It is a dopamine inhibitor, notably at the D₂-dopaminergic receptor. It also has α -adrenergic blocking activity and stimulates prolactin release.^{1,2} The antifungal properties of chlorpromazine and other compounds has been reviewed.³ The role of chlorpromazine and other tricyclic compounds as inhibitors of neuronal voltage-gated K channels has been discussed.⁴

The use of chlorpromazine (0 - 0.2 mM) to induce stress in *E. coli* to study regulation of the RcsCB His-Asp phosphorelay system has been described.⁵ The effect of chlorpromazine (1 μ M) and other dopamine-active drugs on the production of oxytocin and vasopressin in rat neurohypophyseal tissue cultures has been studied.⁶ Chlorpromazine has been used to probe long-term potentiation of corticostriatal synaptic transmission in rat.⁷ Chlorpromazine (12 or 25 μ M) has been shown to limit lipid accumulation in the human breast cell line HBL-100, as initially induced by tetraphenylphosphonium chloride.⁸

An analytical method for chlorpromazine that couples high performance liquid chromatography to inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry has been described.⁹

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), yielding a clear, faint yellow to very faint gray solution.

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