# **Product Information**



# Exemestane

Item No. 15008

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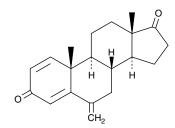
Formal Name: 6-methylene-androsta-1,4-diene-3,17-

Aromasin<sup>TM</sup>, FCE 24304 Synonyms:

MF:  $C_{20}H_{24}O_{2}$ FW: 296.4 **Purity:** ≥95%

Stability: ≥2 years at -20°C Supplied as: A crystalline solid UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : 246 nm

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# **Laboratory Procedures**

For long term storage, we suggest that exemestane be stored as supplied at -20°C. It should be stable for at least two

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

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

Exemestane is a third generation, irreversible steroidal aromatase inhibitor ( $K_i = 10.2 \text{ nM}$ ;  $K_{inact} = 26 \text{ nM}$ ) that induces aromatase degradation leading to a decrease in estrogen levels in plasma. 1,2 As an androgen analog, exemestane exhibits androgenic effects and has been shown to decrease total and HDL cholesterol, apo A1, and total triglyceride levels.<sup>3</sup> Marketed under the trade name Aromasin<sup>TM</sup>, exemestane has been used to treat estrogen receptor-positive breast cancers in post-menopausal women.1

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