# Product Information



# Myriocin

Item No. 63150

CAS Registry No.: 35891-70-4

Formal Name: 2S-amino-3R,4R-dihydroxy-2-

(hydroxymethyl)-14-oxo-6E-eicosenoic acid

Synonyms: ISP-1, Thermozymocidin

 $C_{21}H_{39}NO_{6}$ MF: FW: 401.5 **Purity:** ≥98%

Stability: ≥2 years at -20°C Supplied as: A crystalline solid

# **Laboratory Procedures**

For long term storage, we suggest that myriocin be stored as supplied at -20°C. It will be stable for at least two years. Myriocin is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the myriocin in an organic solvent purged with an inert gas. Myriocin is soluble in methanol. The solubility of myriocin in methanol is approximately 2 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

Myriocin is an amino fatty acid antibiotic derived from certain thermophylic fungi, in this case Mycelia sterilia. It is a potent immunosuppressant having 10- to 100-fold more activity than cyclosporin A.1 Myriocin is a potent inhibitor of serine palmitoyltransferase (K<sub>i</sub> = 0.28 nM), the enzyme that catalyzes the first step of sphingolipid biosynthesis. It disrupts substratum adhesion of melanoma cells.3 It also suppresses cell proliferation in the murine cytotoxic T-cell line CTLL-2 (IC<sub>50</sub> = 15 nM) via apoptosis.<sup>2,4</sup> Myriocin suppresses replication of the hepatitis C virus (HCV) in a murine model.<sup>5</sup>

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