# **Product Information**



## Hyperforin

Catalog No. 75650

**CAS Registry No.:** 11079-53-1

Formal Name: 5-hydroxy-6R-methyl-1R,3,7S-tris(3-methyl-

2-butenyl)-5S-(2-methyl-1-oxopropyl)-6R-(4methyl-3-pentenyl)-bicyclo[3.3.1]non-3-ene-

2,9-dione

MF:  $C_{35}H_{52}O_4$ FW: 536.8 ≥90% **Purity:** 

Stability: ≥1 year at -20°C Supplied as: A solution in methanol

## **Laboratory Procedures**

For long term storage, we suggest that hyperforin be stored as supplied at -20°C. It will be stable for at least one year. Hyperforin is supplied as a solution in methanol. To change the solvent, simply evaporate the methanol under a gentle stream of nitrogen and immediately add the solvent of choice. Solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide purged with an inert gas can be used. The solubility of hyperforin in these solvents is approximately 20 mg/ml.

Hyperforin is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, hyperforin should first be dissolved in DMSO and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Hyperforin has a solubility of approximately 660 µg/ml in a 1:3 solution of DMSO:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

St. John's wort is a widely consumed herbal preparation which has been claimed to have a number of medicinal properties. It contains a number of known lipid signalling mediators, including chlorogenic acid, hypericin, hyperforin, and I3,II8-biapigenin.

Hyperforin exhibits two activities which may alter the action of other concurrent medications. It inhibits the activity of several CYP450 enzymes, with CYP2D6 being the most sensitive with an IC<sub>50</sub> of about 10 μg/ml. 1 Hyperforin is also a ligand for the steroid X receptor (SXR).<sup>2</sup> Since one activity of this receptor is the induction of CYP450 expression, the exact nature of hyperforin's drug-drug interactions must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. However, these interactions certainly complicate its use as a human therapeutic.

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