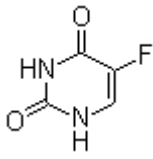


Product Introduction

Fluorouracil (5-Fluoracil, 5-FU)

Fluorouracil (5-Fluoracil, 5-FU) is an DNA/RNA synthesis inhibitor, which interrupts nucleotide synthesis by inhibiting thymidylate synthase (TS).

Technical Data:

Molecular Weight (MW):	130.08	
Formula:	C ₄ H ₃ FN ₂ O ₂	
Solubility (25°C)	DMSO 26 mg/mL	
* <1 mg/ml means slightly soluble or insoluble:	Water <1 mg/mL	
	Ethanol <1 mg/mL	
Purity:	>98%	
Storage:	3 years -20°C Powder 6 months -80°C in DMSO	
CAS No.:	51-21-8	

Biological Activity

5-Fluorouracil is an analogue of uracil with a fluorine atom at the C-5 position in place of hydrogen. It rapidly enters the cell using the same facilitated transport mechanism as uracil. 5-Fluorouracil is converted intracellularly to several active metabolites: fluorodeoxyuridine monophosphate (FdUMP), fluorodeoxyuridine triphosphate (FdUTP) and fluorouridine triphosphate (FUTP). The 5-Fluorouracil metabolite FdUMP binds to the nucleotide-binding site of TS, forming a stable ternary complex with the enzyme and CH₂THF, thereby blocking binding of the normal substrate dUMP and inhibiting dTMP synthesis. Metabolite of 5-Fluorouracil also can be misincorporated into DNA, leading to DNA strand breaks and cell death. The pro-apoptosis effects of 5-Fluorouracil may be related to its activation of tumor suppressor p53. Loss of p53 function reduces cellular

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sensitivity to Aducil. ^[1] Aducil is able to inhibit the survival and induce apoptosis of a board range of cancer cells. Aducil suppresses viabilities of the nasopharyngeal carcinoma cell line CNE2 and HONE1 ^[2], pancreatic cancer cell lines Capan-1 ^[3], and human colon carcinoma cell line HT-29 ^[4] with IC50 of 9 µg/mL, 3 µg/mL, 0.22 µM, 2.5 µM, respectively

Aducil is widely used in the treatment of a range of cancers, including colorectal and breast cancers. ^[1] 100mg/kg Aducil significantly suppresses tumor growth of murine colon carcinomas Colon 38 with tumor-doubling time (TD), growth-delay factor (GDF), and T/C of 26.5 days, 4.4, and 14%. ^[5]

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