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## **Certificate of Analysis**

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Product Name: L-Ascorbic acid Catalog No.: 4055 Batch No.: 2

CAS Number: 50-81-7 EC Number: 200-066-2

IUPAC Name: 3-Oxo-L-gulofuranolactone

#### 1. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Batch Molecular Formula: $C_6H_8O_6$ .Batch Molecular Weight:176.12Physical Appearance:White solid

**Solubility:** water to 500 mM

Storage: Store at RT

**Batch Molecular Structure:** 

#### 2. ANALYTICAL DATA

HPLC: Shows 99.8% purity

<sup>1</sup>H NMR: Consistent with structure Mass Spectrum: Consistent with structure

**Optical Rotation:**  $[\alpha]_D = +20$  (Concentration = 10, Solvent = Water)

Microanalysis: Carbon Hydrogen Nitrogen

Theoretical 40.92 4.58 Found 41.11 4.55

### **Product Information**

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#### **Description:**

L-Ascorbic acid is an inhibitor of  $\text{Ca}_{\text{v}}3.2$  channels ( $\text{IC}_{50}$  = 6.5  $\mu\text{M}$ ); displays no effect on  $\text{Ca}_{\text{v}}3.1$  or  $\text{Ca}_{\text{v}}3.3$  channels heterologously expressed in HEK 293 cells. Also enhances the generation of induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs) from mouse and human somatic cells by increasing reprogramming efficiency. Commonly used antifade reagent in live cell microscopy. Used for the generation of midbrain dopaminergic neurons from hPSCs or CiPSCs from MEFs (see protocols below). Naturally occurring antioxidant. L-Ascorbic acid synthesized to Ancillary Material Grade also available. For more information about how L-Ascorbic acid may be used, se... Please see product specific page on www.tocris.com for full description.

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#### Solubility & Usage Info:

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#### Stability and Solubility Advice:

Some solutions can be difficult to obtain and can be encouraged by rapid stirring, sonication or gentle warming (in a 45-60°C water bath).

Information concerning product stability, particularly in solution, has rarely been reported and in most cases we can only offer a general guide. \*Unless contradicted by product-specific protocols or instructions, our standard recommendations apply:

SOLIDS: Provided storage is as stated on the product label and the vial is kept tightly sealed, the product can be stored for up to 6 months from date of receipt.

SOLUTIONS: We recommend that stock solutions, once prepared, are stored aliquoted in tightly sealed vials at -20°C or below and used within 1 month. Wherever possible solutions should be made up and used on the same day.

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