

**Product Name:** Hoechst 33342

**Catalog No.:** 5117

**Batch No.:** 4

CAS Number: 875756-97-1

EC Number: 245-690-6

IUPAC Name: 2'-(4-Ethoxyphenyl)-5-(4-methyl-1-piperazinyl)-2,5'-bi-1*H*-benzimidazole trihydrochloride

**1. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**Batch Molecular Formula:** C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>28</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O.3HCl.3.75H<sub>2</sub>O

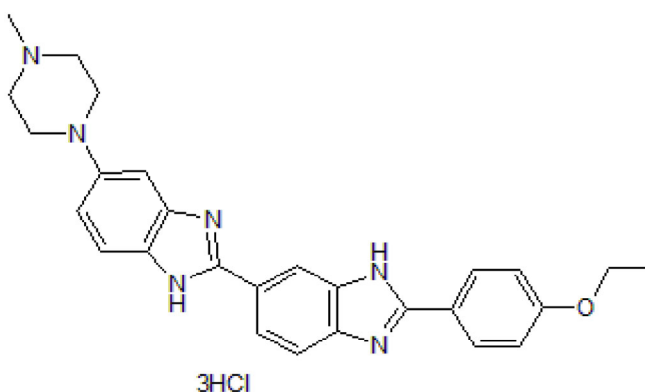
**Batch Molecular Weight:** 629.49

**Physical Appearance:** Yellow/green solid

**Solubility:** water to 50 mM  
DMSO to 50 mM

**Storage:** Store at -20°C

**Batch Molecular Structure:**



**2. ANALYTICAL DATA**

**HPLC:** Shows 99.3% purity at 352 nm

**<sup>1</sup>H NMR:** Consistent with structure

**Mass Spectrum:** Consistent with structure

**Microanalysis:**

	Carbon	Hydrogen	Nitrogen	Chlorine
Theoretical	51.52	6.16	13.35	16.9
Found	50.74	6.2	13.04	17.9

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**Description:**

Key information: Hoechst 33342 is a blue-fluorescent dye for DNA staining. Cell permeable. Suitable for fixed and live-cell staining. Commonly used as a counterstain in fluorescence microscopy. Used for: nuclear counterstain, DNA visualization, cell cycle studies, apoptosis analysis. Application: flow cytometry, confocal microscopy. Properties and Photophysical Data: Hoechst 33342 binds to the AT-rich regions of the minor groove in DNA which renders it specific for nuclear chromatin. Excitation and emission maxima ( $\lambda$ ) are 350 nm and 461 nm, respectively.

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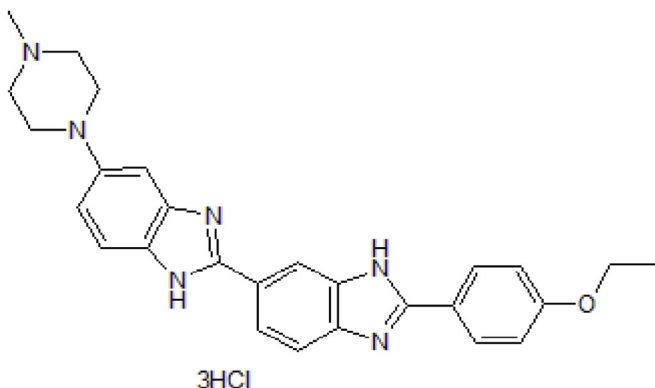
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CAUTION - This product is light sensitive and we recommend that the solid material and any solutions obtained are protected from exposure to light.

**Solubility & Usage Info:**

water to 50 mM

DMSO to 50 mM

**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.

**References:**

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