# **PRODUCT** INFORMATION



## Afatinib

Item No. 11492

| CAS Registry No.:   | 850140-72-6  | . F                             |
|---|--|---------------------------------|
| Formal Name:  | (2E)-N-[4-[(3-chloro-4-  |                                 |
|   | fluorophenyl)amino]-7-   |                                 |
|   | [[(3S)-tetrahydro-3-furanyl]                                     | H                               |
|   | oxy]-6-quinazolinyl]-4-  | H N V CI                        |
|   | (dimethylamino)-2-butenamide                                     | $\sim \sim \sim \sim \sim \sim$ |
| Synonym:  | BIBW 2992  | $N \rightarrow N \rightarrow N$ |
| MF:   | C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>25</sub> CIFN <sub>5</sub> O <sub>3</sub> |                                 |
| FW:   | 485.9  | Q <sup>×</sup> N <sup>×</sup>   |
| Purity:   | ≥95%   |                                 |
| UV/Vis.:  | λ <sub>max</sub> : 254, 343 nm                                   | $\langle \rangle$               |
| Supplied as:  | A crystalline solid  |                                 |
| Storage:  | -20°C  | -                               |
| Stability:  | ≥2 years   |                                 |
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#### Laboratory Procedures

Afatinib is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the afatinib in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. Afatinib is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF). The solubility of afatinib in ethanol is approximately 11 mg/ml and approximately 20 mg/ml in DMSO and DMF.

Afatinib is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, afatinib should first be dissolved in DMSO and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. Afatinib has a solubility of approximately 0.5 mg/ml in a 1:1 solution of DMSO:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

#### Description

Afatinib is an irreversible inhibitor of epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) and ErbB2  $(IC_{50}s = 0.5 \text{ and } 14 \text{ nM}, \text{ respectively}).^1$  It increases the cytotoxicity of adriamycin in a concentration-dependent manner in multidrug-resistant A549T lung cancer cells overexpressing P-glycoprotein.<sup>2</sup> Afatinib (20 mg/kg) reduces tumor growth in ErbB2-amplified NCI-N87 and NUGC4 gastric cancer mouse xenograft models.<sup>3</sup> Formulations containing afatinib have been used in the treatment of non-small cell lung cancer.

#### References

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#### SAFFTY DATA

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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