# PRODUCT INFORMATION



U-0126

Item No. 70970

CAS Registry No.: 109511-58-2

Formal Name: 2,3-bis[amino[(2-aminophenyl)

thio]methylene]-butanedinitrile

MF:  $C_{18}H_{16}N_6S_2$ FW: 380.5 **Purity:** ≥98%

 $\lambda_{\text{max}}$ : 247, 308 nm A crystalline solid UV/Vis.: Supplied as:

-20°C Storage: Stability: ≥2 vears

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

### **Laboratory Procedures**

U-0126 is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the U-0126 in the solvent of choice. U-0126 is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide (DMF), which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of U-0126 in these solvents is approximately 0.5, 25, and 30 mg/ml, respectively.

U-0126 is sparingly soluble in aqueous buffers. For maximum solubility in aqueous buffers, U-0126 should first be dissolved in DMF and then diluted with the aqueous buffer of choice. U-0126 has a solubility of approximately 0.3 mg/ml in a 1:2 solution of DMF:PBS (pH 7.2) using this method. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

### Description

U-0126 is a MEK inhibitor with  $IC_{50}$  values of 72 nM and 58 nM for MEK1 and MEK2, respectively. It is noncompetitive with respect adenosine triphosphate (ATP) and its phosphorylation target ERK and it shows little to no inhibition against a number of other kinases including PKC, Ab1, Raf, MEKK, ERK, JNK, MKK-3, MKK-4, MKK-6, Cdk2, and Cdk4. However, U-0126 does phosphorylate and activate AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK) in a dose-dependent manner (EC<sub>50</sub> = 15  $\mu$ M in HEK293 cells).<sup>2</sup> It increases the ratios of ADP to ATP and AMP to ATP and increases phosphorylation of the AMPK target acetyl-CoA carboxylase (ACC).

### References

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WARNING
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