

<b>Product Name:</b>	Oligomycin C
<b>Product Number:</b>	O019
<b>CAS Number:</b>	11052-72-5
<b>Molecular Formula:</b>	C <sub>45</sub> H <sub>74</sub> O <sub>10</sub>
<b>Molecular Weight:</b>	775.1
<b>Appearance:</b>	White Lyophilisate
<b>Solubility:</b>	Soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMSO and DMF. Practically insoluble in water.
<b>Source:</b>	<i>Streptomyces diastatochromogenes</i>
<b>Storage Conditions:</b>	-20°C

**Description:** Oligomycin C is a minor analog of a class of macrocyclic lactones isolated from selected strains of *Streptomyces* spp. It is a non-selective inhibitor of mitochondrial F<sub>1</sub>F<sub>0</sub> ATP synthase in eukaryotes. Oligomycins exhibit apoptotic cytotoxicity and mitochondrial toxicity. It can induce apoptosis in a variety of cell types. It is practically free of homologs.

Oligomycin is a macrolide antibiotic complex from *Streptomyces*. It is an inhibitor of mitochondrial F<sub>1</sub>F<sub>0</sub> ATP synthase. The Oligomycin complex was first reported in 1954, from a strain of *Streptomyces diastatochromogenes* from soil and highly active against fungi. The Oligomycin class includes the analogs/isomers A through G. Different isomers are highly specific for the disruption of mitochondrial metabolism.

Oligomycin can be used to study the mechanistic aspects of ATP formation in tumor cell biology and apoptosis.

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Additional Oligomycin products can be found [here](#).

**Mechanism of Action:** Oligomycin inhibits phosphoryl group transfer in mitochondrial membrane-bound ATP synthase (F<sub>1</sub>F<sub>0</sub> ATPase), blocking proton translocation and leading to hyperpolarization of inner mitochondrial membrane. The result is that mitochondrial ATP is not synthesized, as this enzyme is responsible for ATP production in mammals via a rotary catalytic mechanism.

After more than 50 years of studies on the binding site of Oligomycin, a team at the Rosalind Franklin University (North Chicago, IL) discovered that it binds to the subunit-c of the F<sub>0</sub> portion of the ATP synthase. The residues involved in the binding site are conserved from yeast to humans (Symersky et al, 2012).

**Spectrum:** Oligomycin is active against *Rhodotorula glutinis*, *Aspergillus niger* and other molds.

**Microbiology Applications** A number of mutations in yeast have been shown to confer resistance to Oligomycin.

**Cancer Applications** Mitochondria are regulators in apoptosis, thus are a target for cancer research. Oligomycin was found to bypass doxorubicin resistance and block P-glycoprotein activity. P-glycoprotein causes multidrug resistance, and extrudes anticancer drugs to the extracellular environment using ATP. The result was that it triggered apoptosis in drug-resistant HepG2 cells (Li et al, 2002).

Oligomycin can be used to measure oxygen consumption rate and extracellular acidification rates in breast cancer cell lines, contributing to our understanding of molecular pathways that contribute to breast cancer progression (Furth et al, 2018).

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