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G 418 Sulfate, Cell Culture Tested Cat. No. 345810

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Size:	250 mg 500 mg 1 g 5 g 25 g
Description:	Aminoglycoside antibiotic related to gentamycin that inhibits prokaryotic and eukaryotic protein synthesis, is toxic to bacteria, yeast, protozoans, helminths, higher plant and mammalian cells. Used in molecular genetics as a selective agent for the bacterial <i>neo<sup>r</sup>/kan<sup>r</sup></i> genes. The product of these genes, aminoglycoside 3'-phosphotransferase, inactivates G418, neomycin, and kanamycin by phosphorylation. Introduction of either of these genes into cells can confer resistance to G418, which enables cells to grow in media containing G418.
	<b>Recommended reaction conditions:</b> The optimal concentration of G418 for selection of resistance will vary according to the organism and/or cell type under investigation. In general, the concentration of active drug required for selection is as follows:
	<i>Dictyostelium</i> sp.: 10-100 μg/ml Plant cells: 10-100 μg/ml Yeast cells: 0.5-1.0 mg/ml Mammalian cells: 0.1-2.0 mg/ml
	A multiplying cell will be affected by the presence of G418 sooner than a resting cell. It will take at least two cell generations to achieve cell death in sensitive cell lines.
Form:	White solid.
CAS Number	108321-42-2
RTECS:	CB9378500
Molecular Weight:	692.7
Molecular Formula:	$C_{20}H_{40}N_4O_{10} \cdot 2H_2SO_4$
Structure:	

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Purity:	$\geqslant$ 98% by TLC
<b>Biological Activity:</b>	Potency: ≥730 µg/mg
Solubility:	Aqueous buffers or $H_2O$ . Typically a stock solution of 10-50 mg/ml active drug is prepared in a highly buffered solution (e.g. 100 mM HEPES, pH 7.3, or cell culture medium).
Storage:	SHELF (+20°C). Following reconstitution, sterilize by filtration through a 0.22 $\mu$ m or 0.45 $\mu$ m pore size filter, aliquot and freeze (-20°C) for long term storage or refrigerate (4°C) for short-term storage. Sterile stock solutions are stable for at least 1 year at 4°C.
Toxicity:	MSDS available upon request.
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