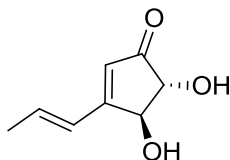


Terrein

Code No.: **BIA-T1408**

Pack sizes: **1 mg, 5 mg**



Synonyms : (+) Terrein, NSC 291308

Specifications

CAS #	: 582-46-7
Molecular Formula	: C ₈ H ₁₀ O ₃
Molecular Weight	: 154.2
Source	: <i>Aspergillus</i> sp.
Appearance	: Light tan solid
Purity	: >95% by HPLC
Long Term Storage	: -20°C
Solubility	: Soluble in ethanol, methanol, DMF or DMSO. Limited water solubility.

Application Notes

Terrein is a polar, substituted dihydrocyclopentenone first reported by Raistrick and colleagues in the 1930s and subsequently found in a number of *Aspergillus* and *Penicillium* species. For many years the biological profile and mode of action of terrein was unstudied; however, recent research showed that terrein reduces melanin synthesis by reducing tyrosinase production via ERK activation, followed by MITF down-regulation. Terrein also reduces human keratinocyte proliferation by inhibiting ERK and by decreasing the expression of cyclin B1 and Cdc2 complex.

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