

Ponasterone A and Muristerone A

Contents and Storage

This manual is supplied with Ponasterone A and Muristerone A. Both reagents are shipped at room temperature. Upon receipt, store as detailed below.

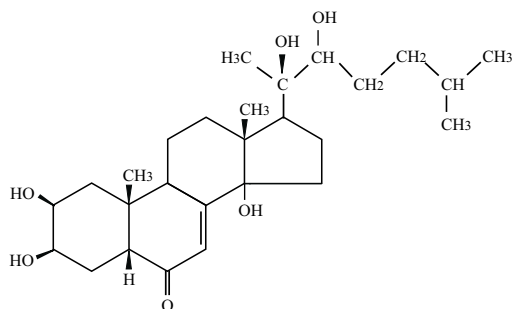
Reagent	Catalog no.	Amount	Storage
Ponasterone A	H101-01	1 mg (4 x 250 µg), lyophilized	-20°C
	H101-03	100 mg (1 tube), lyophilized	
Muristerone A	H100-01	1 mg (4 x 250 µg), lyophilized	-20°C

Description

Ponasterone A and muristerone A are polyhydroxylated steroids with strong molting hormone activity in insects. Ponasterone A was first isolated from the plant *Podocarpus nakaii* (Nakanishi *et al.*, 1966) and was subsequently shown to induce molting in houseflies and silkworms (Kobayashi *et al.*, 1967). For a review of ponasterone, see Nakanishi, 1992. For more information on muristerone, see Christopherson, 1992.

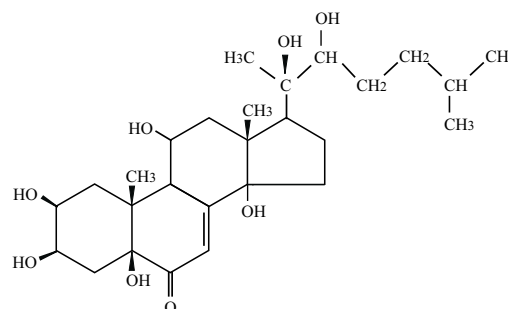
Molecular Weight, Formula, and Structure

MW: 464.65
Formula: C₂₇H₄₄O₆



Ponasterone A

MW: 496.6
Formula: C₂₇H₄₄O₈



Muristerone A

Preparing and Storing Stock Solutions

Ponasterone A and muristerone A are soluble in 100% ethanol. To prepare an ~1 mM stock solution (1.1 mM):

- Add 500 µl of 100% ethanol to one vial of ponasterone A or muristerone A (250 µg, ~0.5 µmole)
- Vortex to dissolve
- **Do not heat** solution to dissolve ponasterone A or muristerone A
- Store the 1 mM stock solution at +4° or at -20°C for long-term storage.

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