# Tapinarof

Cat. No.:	HY-109044
CAS No.:	79338-84-4
Molecular Formula:	C <sub>17</sub> H <sub>18</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
Molecular Weight:	254.32
Target:	Aryl Hydrocarbon Receptor
Pathway:	Immunology/Inflammation
Storage:	4°C, protect from light * In solvent : -80°C, 1 years; -20°C, 6 months (protect from light)

## SOLVENT & SOLUBILITY

	Preparing Stock Solutions	Mass Solvent Concentration	1 mg	5 mg	10 mg		
		1 mM	3.9321 mL	19.6603 mL	39.3205 mL		
		5 mM	0.7864 mL	3.9321 mL	7.8641 mL		
		10 mM	0.3932 mL	1.9660 mL	3.9321 mL		
	Please refer to the so	lubility information to select the app	propriate solvent.	1			
In Vivo	1. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 40% PEG300 >> 5% Tween-80 >> 45% saline Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (9.83 mM); Clear solution						
	2. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% (20% SBE-β-CD in saline) Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (9.83 mM); Clear solution						
	3. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% corn oil Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (9.83 mM); Clear solution						

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Description	Tapinarof (WBI-1001) is a natural aryl hydrocarbon receptor (AhR) agonist with an EC <sub>50</sub> of 13 nM. Tapinarof resolves skin inflammation in mice <sup>[1]</sup> .			
IC <sub>50</sub> & Target	EC50: 13 nM (AhR) <sup>[1]</sup>			
In Vitro	Tapinarof activates the AhR pathway through direct binding. Tapinarof dose-dependently induces nuclear translocation of AhR in immortalized keratinocytes (HaCaT) (EC <sub>50</sub> =0.16 nM) <sup>[1]</sup> . MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.			

**Product** Data Sheet

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#### In Vivo

Tapinarof acts through AhR to reduce inflammation in IMQ-treated mice. AhR-sufficient mice on a C57Bl/6 background exhibit a reduced clinical score after treatment with Tapinarof or 6-formylindolo(3,2-b)carbazole (FICZ). In contrast, AhR KO mice do not respond to the anti-inflammatory effects of Tapinarof. FICZ is used as a comparator in these studies and yields similar results, with dramatically reduced inflammatory responses in wild-type, but not AhR KO mice<sup>[1]</sup>. MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

### PROTOCOL Cell Assay<sup>[1]</sup> HaCaT cells (10,000 cells/well) are cultured in 96-well Greiner µCLEAR plates in 100 µL DMEM with HEPES, Glutamax and 10% fetal bovine serum to confluence. Media is replaced with 100 µL media containing 0.2% heat-inactivated, charcoalstripped fetal bovine serum and incubated overnight. Titrating concentrations of Tapinarof ( $10^{-8} \mu M$ , $10^{-6} \mu M$ , $10^{-4} \mu M$ , 0.01μM, and 1 μM) are added for 30 minutes followed by washing and fixing in ice-cold methanol:acetone (50:50). Samples are blocked with 3% BSA for 1 hour, and then washed again in phosphate buffered saline with 0.1% Tween-20. Next, cells are stained with 50 μL of 1:50 dilution anti-AhR antibody in 3% BSA, followed by 50 μL secondary antibody (1:500 dilution chicken anti-rabbit AlexaFluor488 and 1:2,000 dilution Hoechst 33342) in 3% BSA/phosphate buffered saline. Images are acquired on InCell 2000 and/or Opera. Image analysis is performed using InCell Analyzer Workstation and/or Columbus $^{[1]}$ . MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only. Mice<sup>[1]</sup> Animal Administration [1] Female BALB/c mice (BALB/cByJRj) are used. Studies are performed using 100 µL of Tapinarof (1%) or FICZ (0.01%, at the limit of solubility) in 60% ethanol: 40% water<sup>[1]</sup>. MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

#### **CUSTOMER VALIDATION**

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- J Invest Dermatol. 2023 Mar 31;S0022-202X(23)01949-8.
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[1]. Smith SH, et al. Tapinarof Is a Natural AhR Agonist that Resolves Skin Inflammation in Mice and Humans. J Invest Dermatol. 2017 Oct;137(10):2110-2119.

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