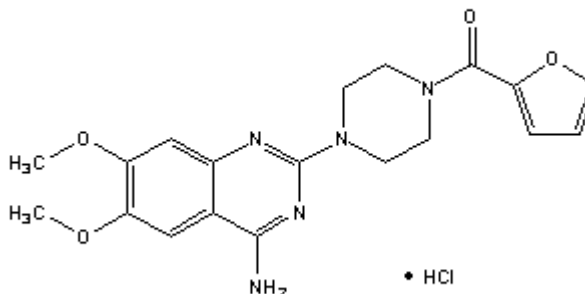


Product Information

PRAZOSIN HYDROCHLORIDE Sigma Prod. No. P7791

CAS NUMBER: 19237-84-4

SYNONYMS: CP-12299-1; Deprazolin;
Furazosin Hydrochloride; Hypovase;
Hypovasole; 1-(4-Amino-6,7-Dimethoxy-
2-Quinazoliny)-4-(2-
Furanylcarbonyl)Piperazine
Hydrochloride; 1-(4-Amino-6,7-
Dimethoxy-2-Quinazoliny)-4-(2-
Furoyl)Piperazine Monohydrochloride;
Minipress; Peripress; Sinetens¹



PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

Appearance: White with a yellow cast powder.²

$E^{1\%}(247 \text{ nm}) = 1470$ (aqueous acid)⁴

$E^{1\%}(331 \text{ nm}) = 281$ (aqueous acid)⁴

$E^{1\%}(252 \text{ nm}) = 1642$ (aqueous alkali)⁴

$E^{1\%}(345 \text{ nm}) = 150$ (aqueous alkali)⁴

$E^{mM}(329.5-330 \text{ nm}) = 11.3$ ⁵

$E^{mM}(246.8-248 \text{ nm}) = 57.3$ ⁵

$pK_a = 6.5$ ⁴

Fluorescence Spectroscopy (acid): 330 nm (excitation),
390 nm (emission): 335 nm (excitation), 415 nm (emission).⁶

Melting Point: 264 °C (with decomposition)⁷

Molecular Formula: C₁₉H₂₁N₅O₄·HCl

Molecular Weight: 419.9

METHOD OF PREPARATION:

Prazosin HCl is synthetically prepared.⁸ Methods of analysis including, Thin-Layer chromatography, HPLC, IR, NMR and mass spectrometry have been reported.^{3,4,6,9} Methods of synthesis have been reported.^{3,9}

STABILITY / STORAGE AS SUPPLIED:

Prazosin Hydrochloride should be stable for at least two years when stored desiccated at room temperature and protected from the light.²

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SOLUBILITY / SOLUTION STABILITY:

Prazosin Hydrochloride is slightly soluble in isotonic saline¹⁰; The approximate solubilities in various

solvents (mg/ml, ambient temperature) is: water (about pH 3.5), 1.4; ethanol, 0.84; methanol, 6.4; dimethylformamide, 1.3; dimethylacetamide, 1.2; chloroform, 0.041; acetone, 0.0072.³ It can be dissolved in deionized water at 1 mg/ml with the application of heat (clear, colorless to very slightly hazy solutions results).² Clear solutions of 50 mg/ml each were prepared in ethanol plus 1 drop of 4 N ammonium hydroxide and in methanol plus 6 drops of 1 N hydrochloric acid with application of heat for both.² Prazosin hydrochloride is not soluble in DMSO.⁸ Solutions up to 11.9×10^{-5} M in 0.2 M Tris-HCl buffer, pH 7.4 were stored at 4°C for one day.¹¹ Since no other solution stability information may be available, solutions are recommended to be freshly prepared and protected from light.

USAGE / APPLICATIONS:

Prazosin suppressed the clinical and histological expression of experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE) in the Lewis rat supporting the idea that antagonists of adrenergic receptors can modulate the expression of this disease in the Lewis rat.¹²

GENERAL NOTES:

Prazosin hydrochloride, a quinazole derivative, is the first of a new chemical class of antihypertensive compounds. It is a very potent and selective α_1 -adrenergic antagonist (affinity for α_1 receptors is about 1000-fold greater than for α_2). It reduces peripheral resistance and blood pressure by vasodilation of peripheral vessels (by blockade of α_1 -adrenergic receptors) in arterioles and veins without increasing the heart rate or significantly impairing sympathetic functions.¹³⁻¹⁶ The vasodilator effect may be related not only to the direct relaxant action on vascular smooth muscle but to the blockade of postsynaptic α -adrenoceptors.¹⁰ Prazosin is a potent inhibitor (1 mM-0.1 mM) of cyclic nucleotide phosphodiesterases.¹⁶ The effects of prazosin may be related to its increase of intracellular levels of cyclic AMP at vascular sites and intracellular levels of cyclic GMP at cholinergic receptor sites in the heart.¹⁶ Doses for injection and for oral administration for laboratory animals with cited references have been reported.¹⁷ Prazosin is highly bound (92-97%) to human plasma proteins, i.e. albumin and α_1 -acid glycoprotein; the extent of binding is independent of drug concentration.⁶ The pharmacokinetics, metabolism and pharmacology have been reported.^{3,6,9,14-16,18,19}

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