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## Carbenoxolone

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### Product Information

Product ID C0167

CAS No. 5697-56-3

**Chemical Name**

**Synonym**

Formula  $C_{34}H_{50}O_7$

Formula Wt. 570.76

Melting Point 292.8°C

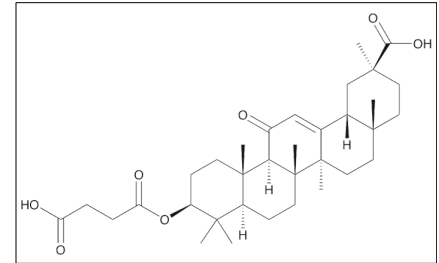
Purity  $\geq 97\%$

Solubility 100 mg/ 550  $\mu$ L DMSO;  
100 mg/ 3 mL Ethanol

Store Temp Ambient

Ship Temp Ambient

**Description** Carbenoxolone is a synthetic derivative of the active component of licorice (*Glycyrrhiza glabra*) and is most well known for its ability to inhibit gap junction connexin channels and 11 $\beta$ -hydroxysteroid dehydrogenase. Carbenoxolone displays a wide variety of beneficial properties, including neuroprotective, anti-inflammatory, and anti-obesity activities. In animal models, carbenoxolone decreases stroke infarction size and neuronal damage after middle cerebral artery occlusion and also delays the onset of experimental autoimmune encephalitis (EAE), potentially by decreasing production of IL-23 and Th17 cells. Carbenoxolone also prevents atrial inflammation and atrial fibrillation by inhibiting macrophage migration into atria. This compound exudes several benefits in obese mice, inhibiting expression of sterol regulatory element binding protein 1c (SREBP1C) and preventing development of fatty liver disease. In vitro, carbenoxolone inhibits expression of pro-inflammatory cytokines and apoptotic proteins; it also prevents fatty acid-induced expression of ROS and reverses fatty acid-induced mitochondrial membrane depolarization. In high-fed diet mice, this compound decreases expression of GLUT4, PPAR- $\gamma$ , and other lipid-regulating genes, resulting in decreased body weight and visceral fat mass and increased sensitivity to insulin.



**Bulk quantities available upon request**

Product ID	Size
C0167	1 g
C0167	5 g
C0167	25 g

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