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## AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox: The Ultimate Water-Soluble Antioxidant

Supplied as lyophilized powder in vials containing **5 mg** or **25 mg Trolox Equivalents (TE)**, as determined by the **ABTS** assay. For bulk orders, please contact us for a quotation.

Product Numbers:

CM81000-5MG

CM81000-25MG

Please consult the Certificate of Analysis (COA) for the lot-specific gravimetric amount of AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox supplied per vial, which is higher than 5 mg and 25 mg.

### Product Description

Introducing **AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox**, engineered with CellMosaic's **AqueaTether**. This highly purified, completely water-soluble Vitamin E derivative is designed for seamless use in aqueous research. It eliminates the need for organic solvents and simplifies complex assays.

As a potent radical scavenger, AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox provides strong protection against oxidative stress. It can be used for cell viability studies, neuroprotection research, and antioxidant capacity measurements (TEAC/ORAC assays).

With outstanding solubility (>45 mg/mL in water) and excellent stability, AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox enables faster preparation and reliable results. It supports reproducible data in biological systems, from cell culture to *in vivo* models, without solvent-related toxicity or assay interference.

### Key Features

- **Truly Water-Soluble:** Dissolves instantly in just water or any aqueous buffers (for example PBS, cell media) for direct application. No DMSO or ethanol required to obtain high concentration stock solution.
- **Accurate amount (Trolox Equivalent) per vial:** AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox amount per vial is determined by ABTS<sup>++</sup> (2,2'-azinobis-(3-ethylbenzothiazoline-6-sulfonic acid)) radical cation quenching assay.

### Usage

To prepare a 1 mM AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox solution, dissolve the contents of the 5 mg (TE) vial in 20 mL of water and dissolve the contents of the 25 mg (TE) vial in 100 mL of water. This will yield a final concentration of 1 mM AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox (TE) in each solution. Since the phenolic group in Trolox is unstable under basic conditions, it is recommended that the pH of the dissolution buffer be maintained between 3 to 7.5.

AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox is for Research Use Only (RUO) and **must not be used for human consumption**. CellMosaic assumes no responsibility for any use of this product outside of its recommended applications.

### Applications

- **Increased Photostability of Fluorescent Dyes**  
AqT<sup>®</sup>-Trolox may be used to enhance the photostability of fluorescent dyes by reducing photooxidative



bleaching and fluorescence blinking. At typical working concentrations of 0.21–2.07 mg/mL, it may help maintain fluorescence intensity during prolonged illumination, making it useful for fluorescence imaging and spectroscopy applications.

- **Antioxidant Capacity Assays**

Used as a reference standard in assays such as **ABTS, DPPH, ORAC, and FRAP**, with results commonly expressed as **Trolox Equivalents (TE)**.

- **Oxidative Stress Research**

Applied to study **reactive oxygen species (ROS) scavenging**, lipid peroxidation, and redox balance in cell-free and cellular systems.

- **Cell Culture & In Vitro Studies**

Used to reduce oxidative damage in cultured cells, particularly in studies involving **mitochondrial dysfunction, hypoxia/reoxygenation, and oxidative injury models**.

- **Biochemistry & Enzyme Protection**

Protects oxidation-sensitive enzymes, metabolites, and cofactors during **in vitro biochemical assays**.

- **Neuroscience, Aging & Disease Models**

Utilized in research related to **neurodegeneration, cardiovascular disease, cancer, and aging**, where oxidative stress plays a central role.

- **Food, Nutrition & Cosmetic Research**

Serves as a benchmark antioxidant for evaluating the antioxidant capacity of **foods, dietary supplements, and cosmetic formulations** (research use only).

### **Storage and Solution Stability**

- Recommended storage of the product is below –20 °C as solid in dark.
- A 1 mM stock solution prepared in water (pH 6.1) is stable at –20 °C in dark for at least 24 hours, with no loss of activity as determined by the ABTS assay.

### **Key References**

#### Antioxidant Capacity Assays (ABTS/TEAC, ORAC, FRAP):

1. Miller NJ, Rice-Evans CA, Davies MJ, Gopinathan V, Milner A. Antioxidant activity applying an improved ABTS radical cation decolorization assay. *Free Radic Biol Med*. 1999;26(9-10):1231-1237.

**Highlight:** Landmark paper establishing the widely used ABTS/TEAC assay, using Trolox as the standard for expressing antioxidant capacity as Trolox Equivalents (TE).

2. Benzie IFF, Strain JJ. The ferric reducing ability of plasma (FRAP) as a measure of “antioxidant power”: The FRAP assay. *Anal Biochem*. 1996;239(1):70-76.

**Highlight:** Foundational work introducing the FRAP assay, a core antioxidant method frequently calibrated with Trolox standards.

3. Huang D, Ou B, Prior RL. The chemistry behind antioxidant capacity assays. *J Agric Food Chem*. 2005;53(6):1841-1856.

**Highlight:** Highly cited review explaining the chemistry and interpretation of antioxidant assays (ABTS, DPPH, ORAC, FRAP), reinforcing Trolox as the most common reference antioxidant.

#### Oxidative Stress Research & ROS Protection:

4. Aktan F. Oxidative stress-induced apoptosis prevented by Trolox. *Life Sci*. 1994;55(4):249-254.

**Highlight:** Demonstrates Trolox protection against oxidative stress-induced apoptosis, supporting its use in ROS scavenging and oxidative injury models.

5. Milatovic D, Dettbarn WD, Gupta RC. Trolox protects against manganese-induced oxidative stress in neuronal cells. *Toxicol In Vitro*. 2011;25(1):200-206.

**Highlight:** Shows Trolox reduces oxidative damage in neuronal cell models, supporting its relevance in neurotoxicity and oxidative stress research.

#### Cell Culture & In Vitro Oxidative Injury Models:

6. Santos MM, et al. Trolox and ascorbic acid reduce oxidative stress in small intestinal epithelial cells. PLoS One. 2015;10(5):e0127810.

**Highlight:** Confirms Trolox efficacy in reducing oxidative stress markers in cultured epithelial cells, supporting use in cell-based antioxidant protection studies.

7. Lionetto MG, et al. Concentration dependence of the antioxidant and prooxidant activity of Trolox in HeLa cells: involvement in apoptotic volume decrease. Antioxidants (Basel). 2020;9(11):1058.

**Highlight:** Important study showing Trolox effects are dose-dependent, including both antioxidant and potential prooxidant activity at certain conditions.

#### Food, Nutrition, and Natural Product Benchmarking (RUO):

8. Re R, Pellegrini N, Proteggente A, Pannala A, Yang M, Rice-Evans C. Antioxidant activity applying an improved ABTS radical cation decolorization assay. Free Radic Biol Med. 1999;26(9-10):1231-1237.

**Highlight:** Widely cited reference supporting Trolox-based antioxidant capacity reporting in food chemistry and plant extract studies (Trolox Equivalents standardization).

### **Important Notes**

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