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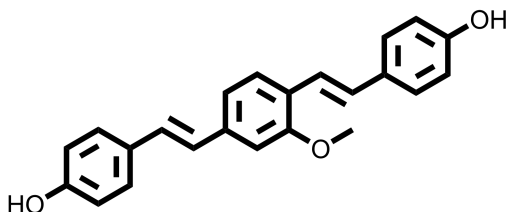
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## Fluorescent Amyloid $\beta$ (A $\beta$ ) Probe – Methoxy-X04

**Chemical Name:** 4,4'-((1E,1'E)-(2-methoxy-1,4-phenylene)bis(ethene-2,1-diyl))diphenol



Molecular Weight:	344.40
Formula:	C <sub>23</sub> H <sub>20</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
Purity:	≥98%
CAS#:	863918-78-9
Solubility:	DMSO up to 100 mM
Storage	Powder: 4 °C 1 year DMSO: 4 °C 3 months -20 °C 1 year

### Biological Activity:

Methoxy-X04 is a fluorescent amyloid  $\beta$  (A $\beta$ ) probe for the detection and quantification of plaques, tangles and cerebrovascular amyloid with good specificity. It is a derivative of Congo red and Chrysamine-G that contains no acid groups and is therefore smaller and much more lipophilic than Congo red or Chrysamine-G. Methoxy-X04 retains in vitro binding affinity for amyloid beta (A $\beta$ ) fibrils ( $K_i = 26.8$  nM) very similar to that of Chrysamine-G. Using multiphoton microscopy to obtain high-resolution (1 microm) fluorescent images from the brains of living PSI/APP mice, individual plaques could be distinguished within 30 to 60 min after a single IV injection or a single IP injection of Methoxy-X04.

### How to Use:

**In vitro:** Methoxy-X04 was used at 50  $\mu$ M final concentration in various in vitro assays.

**In vivo:** Methoxy-X04 was administered to mice by a single IV injection of 5 to 10 mg/kg or by a single IP injection of 10 mg/kg to produce high contrast images of plaques and cerebrovascular amyloid in PSI/APP mouse brain.

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