

Salt Screen of Bedaquiline using a Combination of Techniques to Identify Promising New Salts for Development

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RESULT(S)

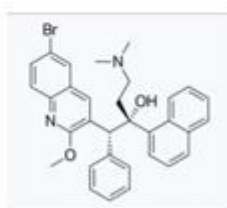


Figure 2. PLM images of Bedaquiline benzoate. Left to right: plane polarized light, cross-polarized light, cross-polarized light with red compensator



Five crystalline salt candidates of Bedaquiline were obtained (1:1): benzoic, maleic, besylate, mesylate and hydrochloric. The salts displayed low solubility in SGF (<15 µg/mL) which is not uncommon for Bedaquiline. All physicochemical characterization data is displayed in Table 1 for these salts. An example of one of the Bedaquiline salts (benzoate) is presented in this poster.

The crystalline benzoate salt has been confirmed by PLM (Figure 2), IR microspectroscopy using both R/A and ATR (Figure 3), XRPD, ¹H NMR and single crystal x-ray. The structure exists as a hydrate with 1.17 mols of water or an ACN solvate with 0.75 mols ACN occupancy and 1 mol water (Figure 4). High resolution synchrotron XRPD data revealed subtle differences between hydrate and solvated salts (Figure 5). The material is moderately hygroscopic (<5% weight gain) upon exposure to high relative humidity (75% RH). Thermal properties were evaluated further by TG (3.2% volatiles supporting single crystal data), DSC (desolvation/melting endotherms of 109.0/124.7 °C) and HSOM (supporting melt behavior) as shown in Figures 6 – 7. A small-scale polymorph screen revealed no change in crystalline structure.

For Bedaquiline, Raman microscopy could not be used as a pre-screening tool for determination of small scale crystallization experiments due to its lack of specificity as shown in Figure 8.

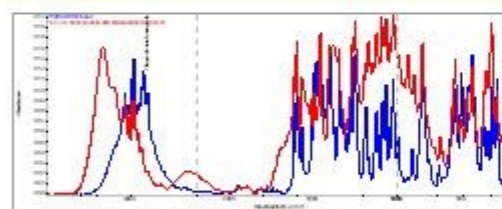


Figure 3. Infrared R/A spectra of Bedaquiline benzoate (red) and Bedaquiline free base (blue). Diagnostic peaks are labeled

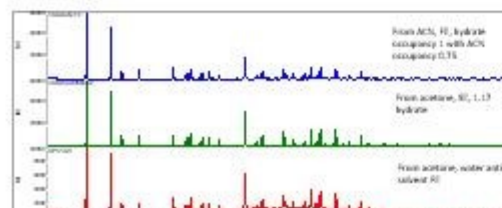


Figure 5. Synchrotron XRPD of Bedaquiline benzoic acid salts, top to bottom: crystallized from ACN, acetone, 30% 20000/water

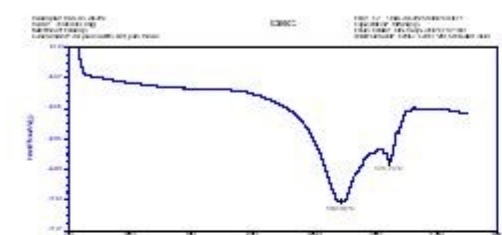


Figure 6. DSC thermogram of Bedaquiline benzoate (blue)



Figure 7. HSOM images of Bedaquiline benzoate using cross-polarized light with red compensator. Left to right: a) 92.2 °C, start of melt; b) 203.5 °C, melting; c) 205.0 °C, melting; d) 203.5 °C, melt nearly complete

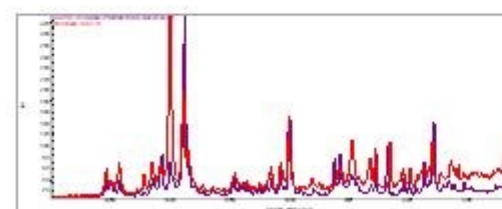


Figure 8. Raman spectra of Bedaquiline benzoate (purple) and Bedaquiline free base (red). Note lack of specificity between the spectra

Table 1. Physicochemical Characterization Data for Bedaquiline Salts

	Benzoate	Maleate	Besylate	...
¹ H NMR	(1:1) Salt confirmed	(1:1) Salt confirmed	(1:1) Salt confirmed	(1:1) Salt confirmed
Synchrotron XRPD	Crystalline	Crystalline	Crystalline	Crystalline
Single Crystal	1.17 mol water or 0.75 mol ACN with 1 mol water	2 mol THF	1 mol THF and 1 mol water	1 mol THF and 1 mol water
IR (R/A)	Salt confirmed	Salt confirmed	Salt confirmed	Salt confirmed
IR (ATR)	Salt confirmed	Salt confirmed	Salt confirmed	Salt confirmed
HSOM	Desolvation/melt	Desolvation/melt	Desolvation/melt	Desolvation/melt
DSC	Endo @ 109.0, 124.7 °C	Endo @ 143.0 °C	Endo @ 81.8, 106.7, 102.4 °C; exo @ 106.8 °C	Endo @ 109.0, 124.7 °C
TG	~3.2% volatiles	-	-	-
PLM	Block, Achedral plate	Achedral plate, polycrystalline, aggregates	Achedral plate, polycrystalline, aggregates	Achedral plate, polycrystalline, aggregates
HPLC (solubility)	~12.7 µg/mL (SGF)	~1.0 µg/mL (SGF)	~7.6 µg/mL (SGF)	~2.1 µg/mL (SGF)

CONCLUSION(S)

Five different Bedaquiline salts (1:1) were made and evaluated for development. Benzoic acid, maleic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, methanesulfonic acid and hydrochloric acid were used as counterions. IR micro-spectroscopy (R/A and/or ATR) were used as pre-screening tools for determining salt formation; however, PLM and microscopy, due to lack of specificity, was not a useful tool for Bedaquiline salt formation. These newly identified salts were characterized using physico-chemical techniques including XRPD, HSOM, DSC, and/or TG. The increased sensitivity of Argonne National Labs synchrotron XRPD data allowed for the identification of possible polymorphs, and/or contaminants. Upon successful identification of single crystals from select salts, the single crystal x-ray diffraction was used to confirm stoichiometry and solvent inclusion for the selected salts. The solubility of the maleic acid, benzenesulfonic acid, and hydrochloride salts was determined in SGF to be < 15 µg/mL.

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