



The next generation of super hydride, also known as **CALSELECT**[®] **Na**, offers higher purity, consistent quality, and a high degree of flexibility for your critical hydride chemistries. **CALSELECT**[®] **Na** by Ascensus is available in quantities from kilograms to commercial volumes to support your process from lab to launch.

CALSELECT® Na (sodium tri-sec-butylborohydride)

High selectivity, reactivity, and specificity can lead to simpler, less expensive purification routes to the desired product. **CALSELECT®** Na next generation super hydride can help achieve these goals.

CALSELECT[®] Na (NaTSBBH) is a powerful hydride reagent used in a wide variety of chemical reactions and transformations. Applications include reduction of ketones, esters, and other functionalities. The next generation super hydride, CALSELECT[®] Na, offers advantages in overall yields, cycle time, and throughputs.

Stereoselective Reductions of Opioid Analogs

CALSELECT® Na is an excellent diastereoselective reducing agent in opioid synthesis. **CALSELECT®** Na reduced late-stage Naloxol intermediate, α -6-MEM-O-naloxol, to provide >99% of the desired α -isomer in Naloxol's commercial synthesis. The resulting high purity of the desired Naloxol intermediate shortened the process cycle time by eliminating a costly and cumbersome isomer purification [WO 2007/124114].

Selective Demethylations

Additionally, CALSELECT[®] reagents demonstrated their broad utility inthe demethylation of 3–O–methyl–norbuprenorphine. The clean demethylation in MeTHF provided safe and mild conditions in the chemistry of opium alkaloids allowing ready access of significant amounts of key hydroxy intermediates [*J. Org. Chem.* **1998**, *63*, 4392; WO 2019/073247].

Squalene Synthesis

CALSELECT[®] hydride reagents are highly effective for desulfonation reactions. Witkowski and co-workers demonstrated the desulfonation process during the elegant convergent Menaquinone 7 synthesis [*Org. Proc. Res. Dev.* **2016**, *20*, 1026].







Optically Active Deuterated Primary Amines

CALSELECT® Na is an excellent reducing agent in the preparation of optically active deuterated primary amines. The optimal conditions included THF as the solvent of choice and low temperature conditions. **CALSELECT®** Na gave the highest diastereoselectivities and yields when compared to other reducing agents such as DIBAL and LiALH4 [*J. Org. Chem.* 2014, *79*, 8417].



Stereoselective Synthesis of Anti-amines

CALSELECT® Na gave high diastereoselectivities (46:1) of desired anti amino hydroxy intermediate, which in the presence of acid cyclized to lactone product. This excellent transformation has been demonstrated in other stereoselective amino alcohol synthesis. [*Org. Proc. Res. Dev.* **2004**, *8*, 169]



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