
Product Data Sheet

Product Name: γ -Linolenic Acid methyl ester

Cat. No.: GC10020

Chemical Properties

Cas. No. 16326-32-2

Chemical Name 6Z,9Z,12Z-octadecatrienoic acid, methyl ester

SMILES CCCCC/C=C\C/C=C\C/C=C\CCCC(OC)=O

Formula $C_{19}H_{32}O_2$

M.Wt 292.5

Solubility ≤ 100 mg/ml in DMSO; 100mg/ml in dimethyl formamide

Storage Store at -20°C

General tips For obtaining a higher solubility, please warm the tube at 37 °C and shake it in the ultrasonic bath for a while. Stock solution can be stored below -20°C for several months.

Shipping Condition Evaluation sample solution : ship with blue ice All other available size: ship with RT, or blue ice upon request.

Structure

Background

γ -Linolenic Acid methyl ester is a weak leukotriene B4 (LTB4) receptor antagonist.

LTB4, a potent neutrophil chemoattractant, is present at high concentrations in psoriatic lesions, bronchoalveolar lavage in asthmatics and rectal dialysates in patients with inflammatory bowel disease.

In vitro: γ -Linolenic acid methyl ester is an esterified version of the free acid which is less water soluble but more amenable for the formulation of GLA-containing diets and dietary supplements. GLA was identified as an ω -6 fatty acid which could be elongated to arachidonic acid for endogenous eicosanoid synthesis. GLA was found to be a weak leukotriene B4 (LTB4) receptor antagonist, which was able to inhibit [3 H]-LTB4 binding to porcine neutrophil membranes with a K_i of 1 μ M [1].

In vivo: In an in-vivo model of LTB4-induced bronchoconstriction, ricinelaic acid and γ -

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Linolenic acid methyl ester at a 1 mg/kg i.v. dose could result in 46% and 53% inhibition, respectively, indicating that essential fatty acids are LTB₄ receptor antagonists, which may account in part for their reported anti-inflammatory activities [1].

Clinical trial: So far, no clinical study has been conducted.

Reference:

[1] Yagaloff, K. A., Franco, L., Simko, B., et al. Essential fatty acids are antagonists of the leukotriene B₄ receptor. Prostaglandins, Leukotrienes and Essential Fatty Acids 52, 293-297 (1995).

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