

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Methyl eicosadienoate (all *cis*-11,14)

Catalog number: 1193

Common Name: Methyl eicosadienoate;
C20:2 (all *cis*-11,14) Methyl
ester

Source: synthetic

Solubility: chloroform, hexane, ethyl ether

CAS number: 61012-46-2

Molecular Formula: C₂₁H₃₈O₂

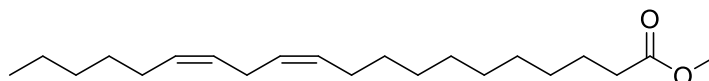
Molecular Weight: 322

Storage: -20°C

Purity: TLC: 99%, GC: 99%

TLC System: hexane/ethyl ether (80:20 by vol.)

Appearance: liquid



Application Notes:

This product is the methyl ester of a naturally occurring *omega*-6 fatty acid that is found mainly in small amounts in animal tissues. Eicosadienoic acid (all *cis*-11,14) is produced by a *delta* 9 elongase enzyme from linoleic acid and can be converted into dihomo- γ -linolenic acid, arachidonic acid, sciadonic acid and other polyunsaturated fatty acids.¹ Eicosadienoic acid (all *cis*-11,14) has been found to be able to modulate the metabolism of polyunsaturated fatty acids and alter the responsiveness of macrophages to inflammatory stimulations.² Along with other mono and polyunsaturated fatty acids eicosadienoic acid (all *cis*-11,14) can inhibit the binding of leukotriene B₄ to pig neutrophil membranes, which may account in part for its anti-inflammatory activities.³ The X-ray powder diffraction pattern of the sodium soap of eicosadienoic acid (all *cis*-11,14) is typical of the crystalline lamellar phase.⁴

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