

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

N-Octadecanoyl-sulfated-lactosylceramide

Catalog number: 1540

Synonyms: SM3; N-Octadecanoyl-lactosylceramide-3'-sulfate; N-Octadecanoyl-lactosylceramide sulfatide

Source: synthetic

Solubility: chloroform/methanol/DI water 2:1:0.1

CAS number: 1292769-63-1

Molecular Formula: C₄₈H₉₁NO₁₆S

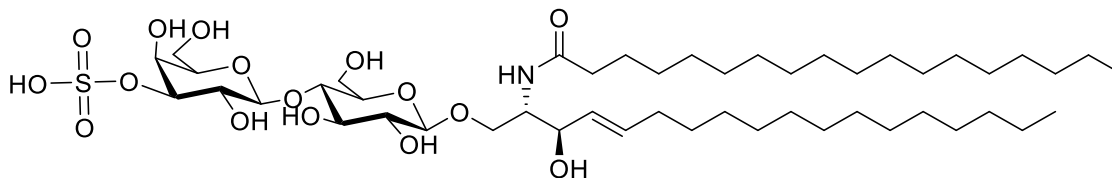
Molecular Weight: 970

Storage: -20°C

Purity: TLC: >98%; identity confirmed by MS

TLC System: chloroform/methanol/2.5N ammonium hydroxide (65:25:4 by vol.)

Appearance: solid



Application Notes:

Sulfoglycolipids are an important group of negatively charged biological compounds that have essential and far-reaching cellular functions. They are especially active in interacting with extracellular matrix proteins, cellular adhesive receptors, blood coagulation systems, and microorganisms.¹ Sulfated glycolipids are produced by action of the enzyme cerebroside sulfotransferase (CST) which transfers a sulfate to the sugar moiety.

Sulfated-lactosylceramide was shown to abrogate anchorage-independent growth and cell adhesion to laminin and fibronectin, which could be attributed to decreased β 1 integrin gene expression. This led to a novel hypothesis that specific, individual, glycosphingolipids might regulate the gene expression of a select number of genes.²

Sulfated-lactosylceramide binds L-selectin and P-selectin, specific cell adhesion molecules found on cell surfaces and linked to metastasis.³ The presence of sulfated-lactosylceramide was linked to upregulation of CST gene expression and also mediated cell adhesion to vitronectin and α V β 3 integrins. Expression of sulfated-lactosylceramide induced by CST transfection in murine Lewis lung carcinoma cells led to suppression of cell adhesion to laminin and β 1 integrin and, subsequently, metastasis.³

Arylsulfatase A is a lysosomal enzyme that catalyzes the first step in the degradation of sulfoglycolipids. Metachromatic leukodystrophy is an autosomal recessively inherited lysosomal storage disorder caused by deficiency of arylsulfatase A activity leading to subsequent accumulation of sulfoglycolipids. Toxic levels of these accumulated lipids leads to ataxia, flaccid and spastic tetraparesis, optical atrophy, epileptic seizures, and other neurological symptoms.⁴

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