

Catalog # 10-4301 C8-Ceramide

CAS# 74713-59-0 N-Octanoyl-D-erythro-sphingosine

Lot # FBM2058

Cell permeable ceramide analog. Stimulates ceramide-activated protein kinase.¹ Induces apoptosis.² Reported to inhibit apoptosis and gap junction intercellular communication (GJIC) in rat liver epithelial cells.³ Induces the secretion of brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) from microglia in vitro.⁴

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- 3) Upham et al. (2003), Differential roles of 2,6 and 8 carbon ceramides on the modulation of gap junctional communication and apoptosis during carcinogenesis; Cancer Lett., **191** 27
- 4) Nakajima et al. (2002), Ceramide activates microglia to enhance the production/secretion of brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) without induction of deleterious factors in vitro; J.Neurochem., **80** 697

PHYSICAL DATA

Molecular Weight: 425.69 Molecular Formula: C₂₆H₅₁NO₃

Purity: 98% by TLC (10% Methanol/methylene chloride; Rf = 0.25)

NMR: (Conforms)

Solubility: DMSO (up to 25 mg/ml), or ethanol (up to 25 mg/ml)

Physical Description: White solid

Storage and Stability: Store as supplied at -20°C for up to 2 years from the date of purchase.

Solutions in DMSO or ethanol may be stored at -20°C for up to 3 months.

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