# **PRODUCT** INFORMATION



9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16-dimethyl Prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub> (potassium salt)

Item No. 14430

CAS Registry No.: Formal Name:	122576-55-0 9-methylene-11α,15R-dihydroxy- 16,16-dimethyl-prosta-5Z,13E-dien-1- oic acid, monopotassium salt
Synonyms:	Metenprost potassium, U-46785b
MF:	$C_{23}H_{37}O_4 \bullet K$
FW:	416.6 но С
Purity:	≥98% ÓH
Supplied as:	A crystalline solid
Storage:	-20°C
Stability:	≥4 years
Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.	

## Laboratory Procedures

9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16-dimethyl Prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub> (potassium salt) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the 9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16-dimethyl prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub> (potassium salt) in the solvent of choice, which should be purged with an inert gas. 9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16-dimethyl Prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub> (potassium salt) is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide. The solubility of 9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16-dimethyl prostaglandin  $E_2$  (potassium salt) in these solvents is approximately 50, 12.5, and 2 mg/ml, respectively.

Further dilutions of the stock solution into aqueous buffers or isotonic saline should be made prior to performing biological experiments. Ensure that the residual amount of organic solvent is insignificant, since organic solvents may have physiological effects at low concentrations. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of 9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16-dimethyl prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub> (potassium salt) can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline solid in aqueous buffers. The solubility of 9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16dimethyl prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub> (potassium salt) in PBS (pH 7.2) is approximately 50 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

## Description

9-deoxy-9-methylene-16,16-dimethyl Prostaglandin  $E_2$  (metenprost) is a potent analog of  $PGE_2$  with an extended half-life in vivo. In combination with various other PG derivatives, metenprost results in the termination of first trimester pregnancy in monkeys. A single intramuscular injection containing 0.5 mg of metenprost and 7.5 mg of 17-phenyl trinor PGF<sub>1a</sub> is very effective in terminating early pregnancy.<sup>1</sup> This PG mixture is ineffective on monkeys in their third trimester of pregnancy.<sup>1</sup> Metenprost, when compared to PGE<sub>2</sub> and PGF<sub>1n</sub>, in monkey and rat, does not result in unwanted side effects such as fever or gastrointestinal problems.1,2

## References

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- 2. Bundy, G.L., Kimball, F.A., Robert, A., et al. Synthesis and biological activity of 9-deoxo-9-methylene and related prostaglandins. Adv. Prostaglandin Thromboxane Res. 6, 355-363 (1980).

WARNING THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

### SAFETY DATA

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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