# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## C8 Galactosylceramide (d18:1/8:0)

Item No. 24346

CAS Registry No.: 41613-16-5

Formal Name: N-[(1S,2R,3E)-1-[(β-D-galactopyranosyloxy)

methyl]-2-hydroxy-3-heptadecen-1-yl]-

Galactosylceramide (d18:1/8:0), Synonyms:

N-octanoyl-β-D-Galactosylceramide,

GalCer(d18:1/8:0)

MF:  $C_{32}H_{61}NO_{8}$ FW: 587.8 **Purity:** ≥98% Supplied as: A solid -20°C Storage: Stability: ≥4 years

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

#### **Laboratory Procedures**

C8 Galactosylceramide (d18:1/8:0) is supplied as a solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the C8 galactosylceramide (d18:1/8:0) in the solvent of choice. C8 Galactosylceramide (d18:1/8:0) is soluble in ethanol, methanol, and a 9:1 solution of chloroform:methanol.

#### Description

C8 Galactosylceramide is a synthetic C8 short-chain derivative of known membrane microdomain-forming sphingolipids. 1 It increases the amount delivered and toxicity of doxorubicin (Item No. 15007) in cancerous but not non-cancerous cells when incorporated into the nanoliposomal membrane of nanoliposomal-doxorubicin. C8 Galactosylceramide induces proliferation and cytokine production by splenocytes in vitro at concentrations ranging from 100-1,000 ng/ml but has no effect on natural killer T cell production in vivo.<sup>2</sup> It also activates NF-κB production in C6 glioma cells when used at a concentration of 10 µM.3

#### References

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

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