# **Product Information**



## Leukotriene $C_4$ - $d_5$ methyl ester

Item No. 9001287

Formal Name: 5S-hydroxy-6R-(S-glutathionyl)-7E,9E,11Z,14Z-d<sub>5</sub>-

eicosatetraenoic acid, methyl ester

LTC<sub>4</sub>-d<sub>5</sub> methyl ester Synonym: MF:  $C_{31}H_{44}D_5N_3O_9S$ 

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**Chemical Purity:** ≥97% LTC<sub>4</sub> methyl ester

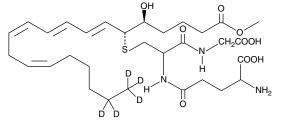
Deuterium

Incorporation:  $\geq$ 99% deuterated forms (d<sub>1</sub>-d<sub>5</sub>),  $\leq$ 1% d<sub>0</sub>

Stability: ≥1 year at -80°C

Supplied as: A solution in ethanol:water (95:5)

UV/Vis.:  $\lambda_{max}$ : 282 nm Miscellaneous: Light Sensitive



## **Laboratory Procedures**

Leukotriene C<sub>4</sub>-d<sub>5</sub> (LTC<sub>4</sub>-d<sub>5</sub>) methyl ester contains five deuterium atoms at the 19, 19', 20, 20, and 20 positions. It is intended for use as an internal standard for the quantification of LTC4 methyl ester by GC- or LC-mass spectrometry (MS). For long term storage, we suggest that LTC<sub>4</sub>-d<sub>5</sub> methyl ester be stored as supplied at -80°C. It should be stable for

LTC<sub>4</sub>-d<sub>5</sub> methyl ester is supplied as a solution in ethanol:water (95:5). To change the solvent, simply evaporate the ethanol:water under a gentle stream of nitrogen and immediately add the solvent of choice. Solvents such as DMSO and dimethyl formamide purged with an inert gas can be used. The solubility of LTC4-d5 methyl ester in these solvents is approximately 50 mg/ml.

LTC<sub>4</sub>-d<sub>5</sub> methyl ester is used as an internal standard for the quantification of LTC<sub>4</sub> methyl ester by stable isotope dilution MS. The accuracy of the sample weight in this vial is between 5% over and 2% under the amount shown on the vial. If better precision is required, the deuterated standard should be quantitated against a more precisely weighed unlabeled standard by constructing a standard curve of peak intensity ratios (deuterated versus unlabeled).

LTC<sub>4</sub> is the parent cysteinyl-leukotriene produced by the LTC<sub>4</sub> synthase-catalyzed conjugation of glutathione to LTA<sub>4</sub>. LTC<sub>4</sub> is produced by neutrophils, macrophages, and mast cells, and by transcellular metabolism in platelets. It is one of the constituents of slow-reacting substance of anaphylaxis and exhibits potent smooth muscle contracting activity. LTC<sub>4</sub>induced bronchoconstriction and enhanced vascular permeability contribute to the pathogenesis of asthma and acute allergic hypersensitivity.<sup>3,4</sup> The concentration of LTC<sub>4</sub> required to produce marked contractions of lung parenchymal strips and isolated tracheal rings is about 1 nM. $^4$  LTC $_4$  methyl ester is a more lipid soluble form of LTC $_4$ . The biological activity of LTC4 methyl ester has not been reported.

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