



N-Hexadecanoyl-monosialoganglioside GM₁ (NH₄⁺ salt)

Catalog number: 1568 Molecular Weight: 1519+NH₃

Synonyms: N-Palmitoyl GM₁, N-C16:0 GM₁ **Storage:** -20°C

Source: semisynthetic, bovine brain **Purity:** TLC: >98%; identity confirmed by MS

Solubility: chloroform/methanol/DI water, **TLC System:** chloroform/methanol/

2.5N ammonium hydroxide

(60:40:9 by vol.)

Appearance: solid

2:1:0.1

CAS number: N/A

Molecular Formula: C₇₁H₁₂₇N₃O₃₁•NH₃

Application Notes:

Gangliosides¹ are acidic glycosphingolipids that form lipid rafts in the outer leaflet of the cell plasma membrane, especially in neuronal cells in the central nervous system.² They participate in cellular proliferation, differentiation, adhesion, signal transduction, cell-to-cell interactions, tumorigenesis, and metastasis.³ The accumulation of gangliosides has been linked to several diseases including Tay-Sachs and Sandhoff disease while an autoimmune response against gangliosides can lead to Guillain-Barre syndrome. GM1 stimulates neuronal sprouting and enhances the action of nerve growth factor (NGF) by directly and tightly associating with Trk, the high-affinity tyrosine kinase-type receptor for NGF. It is the specific cell surface receptor for cholera toxin.⁴

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