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Sphingosine 1-phosphate (S1P)

Catalog number: S-2000

Molecular Formula: C₁₈H₃₈NO₅P

MW: 379.5

CAS: 26993-30-6

HO-P-O NH₂

Alternate Name: S1P (d18:1)

Solubility: S1P is sparingly soluble in organic solvents but will dissolve at 0.3 mg/mL in warm MeOH (alternately vortex for 1 min then sonicate in a bath sonicator for 10 minutes until a clear solution is obtained. Heating the solution (50-65°C) can also help with solubilization). S1P is also soluble at >1 mg/mL in warm acetic acid.

Aqueous solutions of S1P bound to bovine serum albumin (BSA) can be prepared. BSA Stock solution preparation: Add desired amount of S1P in dissolved in methanol to a glass vial and evaporate solvent under a stream of nitrogen to leave a thin film on the vial wall. Add an aqueous solution of 37 °C Fatty acid free BSA (4 mg/mL) to yield a final concentration of 125 μ M S1P. Incubate at 37 °C for 30 minutes vortexing repeatedly.

Storage and Handling: Sphingosine 1-phosphate is relatively stable at room temperature as a solid. It is best stored as a dried solid, protected from light at -20° C. Solutions/emulsions of S1P should be kept at -20° C. Storage in basic buffers (pH > 9.0) or acidic buffers (pH < 4.0) may cause decomposition.

Background: S1P is a bioactive lysophospholipid formed by phosphorylation of sphingosine by sphingosine kinases. S1P binds to five G-protein coupled receptors designated $S1P_{1-5}$ leading to cell proliferation, motility, and has a role in regulation of cell shape. In addition, S1P acts as an intracellular mediator in a receptor-independent manner regulating cell survival and Ca^{2+} homeostasis.

References: 1) S. Spiegel and S. Milstein" Sphingosine 1-phosphate, a key signaling molecule" *J. Biol. Chem.*, 2002, 277, 25851-25854.

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