# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## ent-Prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub>

Item No. 10008294

CAS No.: 65085-69-0

9-oxo-11β,15R-dihydroxy-(8β,12α)-Formal Name:

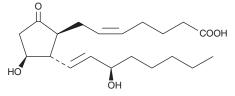
prosta-5Z,13E-dien-1-oic acid

ent-PGE<sub>2</sub> Synonym: MF:  $C_{20}H_{32}O_5$ 352.5 FW: **Purity:** ≥98%

Supplied as: A solution in methyl acetate

Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥2 years

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



#### **Laboratory Procedures**

ent-PGE2 is supplied as a solution in methyl acetate. To change the solvent, simply evaporate the methyl acetate under a gentle stream of nitrogen and immediately add the solvent of choice. Solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide purged with an inert gas can be used. The solubility of ent-PGE<sub>2</sub> in these solvents is approximately 50 mg/ml.

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. If an organic solvent-free solution of ent-PGE2 is needed, it can be prepared by evaporating the methyl acetate and directly dissolving the neat oil in aqueous buffers. The solubility of ent-PGE2 in PBS (pH 7.2) is approximately 2 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

#### Description

Enzymatically-derived PGE2 is an optically pure compound whereas PGE2 derived from the free radical-catalyzed peroxidation of arachidonate is a racemic mixture. Ent-PGE2 is the opposite enantiomer of PGE2. Significant amounts of racemic PGE2 (rac-PGE2) are generated in vitro and in vivo in settings of oxidative stress via the isoprostane pathway. A proposed mechanism for the formation of rac-PGE2 involves the base catalyzed equilibration from 15-E<sub>21</sub>-isoprostane (8-iso-PGE<sub>2</sub>), generated from the 15-H<sub>2t</sub>-isoprostane endoperoxide.<sup>1</sup>

#### Reference

1. Gao, L., Zackert, W.E., Hasford, J.J., et al. Formation of prostaglandin E2 and prostaglandin D2 via the isoprostane pathway: A mechanism for the generation of bioactive prostaglandins independent of the cyclooxygenase. J. Biol. Chem. 278(31), 28479-28489 (2003).

WARNING
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