# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## Dihomo-γ-Linolenic Acid-d∠

Item No. 10458

CAS Registry No.: 81540-86-5

Formal Name: 8Z,11Z,14Z-eicosatrienoic-

8,9,11,12,14,15-d<sub>6</sub> acid

Synonyms: DGLA-d<sub>6</sub>, FA 20:3-d<sub>6</sub>

MF:  $C_{20}H_{28}D_6O_2$ 

FW: 312.5

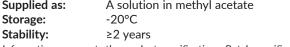
**Chemical Purity:** ≥98% (Dihomo-γ-Linolenic Acid)

Deuterium

Incorporation:  $\geq$ 99% deuterated forms (d<sub>1</sub>-d<sub>6</sub>);  $\leq$ 1% d<sub>0</sub>

Supplied as: A solution in methyl acetate

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



### **Laboratory Procedures**

Dihomo- $\gamma$ -linolenic acid-d<sub>6</sub> (DGLA-d<sub>6</sub>) is intended for use as an internal standard for the quantification of DGLA (Item No. 90230) by GC- or LC-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).

DGLA-d<sub>6</sub> 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 DGLA-d<sub>4</sub> in these solvents is approximately 100 mg/ml.

### Description

DGLA (20:3), an elongation product of γ-linolenic acid (18:3), is rapidly metabolized by fatty acid desaturases to produce arachidonic acid (20:4). DGLA is metabolized through the cyclooxygenase pathway to produce 1-series prostaglandins, (PGs), including PGE1.<sup>1,2</sup> In mice, DGLA supplementation in the diet can reduce atopic dermatitis and atherosclerosis.3,4

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