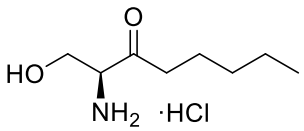
PRODUCT DATA SHEET

3-keto-C8-Dihydrosphingosine·HCl

Catalog number: 1892
Common names: 1-Hydroxy-2-amino-3-keto-octane·HCl
Source: synthetic
Solubility: chloroform, methanol, ethanol, DI water
CAS number: 1824382-78-6

Molecular Formula: $C_8H_{17}NO_2 \cdot HCl$
Molecular Weight: 159
Storage: -20°C
Purity: TLC: 98%
TLC System: chloroform/methanol (80:20)
Appearance: solid



Application Notes:

3-keto-Dihydrosphingosine is a vital intermediate in the biosynthesis of ceramides.[1,2] This lyso-sphingolipid is formed by the condensation of L-serine and palmitoyl-CoA by the serine palmitoyl transferase enzyme.[3] It is then reduced to dihydrosphingosine, converted to ceramide, and eventually synthesized into many types of sphingolipids. C18-keto-dihydrosphingosine is the major sphingolipid precursor in the early and intermediate stages of cell life with C20-keto-dihydrosphingosine as a minor component. Towards the end of the cell's life the ratio of C18 to C20 keto-dihydrosphingosine becomes more equal. It seems to be a critical regulating step in the availability of sphingolipids in cells. Vitamin K deficiency results in the inactivation of the serine palmitoyl transferase enzyme causing a resultant shortage of sphingolipids. Short-chain analogs of 3-keto-dihydrosphingosine have different physical properties from the long-chain 3-keto-dihydrosphingosines. Short-chain bases are considerably less hydrophobic which could significantly change the process of signal transduction.

Selected References:

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