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Product Information



(-)-Epigallocatechin

Item No. 11809

CAS Registry No.: 970-74-1

Formal Name: (2R,3R)-3,4-dihydro-2-(3,4,5-

trihydroxyphenyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-

3,5,7-triol

Synonyms: (-)-EGC, epi-Gallocatechin, NSC 674039

MF: $C_{15}H_{14}O_{7}$ FW: 306.3 ≥98% **Purity:**

Stability: ≥2 years at -20°C Supplied as: A crystalline solid UV/Vis.: λ_{max} : 209 nm

Laboratory Procedures

For long term storage, we suggest that (-)-epigallocatechin ((-)-EGC) be stored as supplied at -20°C. It should be stable for at least two years.

(-)-EGC is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the (-)-EGC in the solvent of choice. (-)-EGC is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, and dimethyl formamide, which should be purged with an inert gas. The solubility of (-)-EGC in these solvents is approximately 5, 15, and 25 mg/ml, respectively.

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. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of (-)-EGC can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline solid in aqueous buffers. The solubility of (-)-EGC in PBS, pH 7.2, is approximately 1 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

(-)-EGC is a major green tea polyphenol with antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, and anticancer activities. It has been shown to scavenge DPPH radicals with an EC $_{50}$ value of 0.01 mM and to prevent the growth of several different AML cell lines at micromolar concentrations. $^{1.3}$ Furthermore, at 30 μM (-)-EGC can inhibit heregulin- $\beta 1$ -induced migration/invasion of MCF-7 human breast cancer cells.4

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