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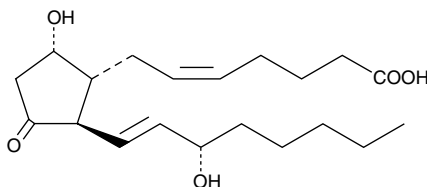
Product Information



Prostaglandin D₂

Item No. 12010

CAS Registry No.: 41598-07-6
Formal Name: 9 α ,15S-dihydroxy-11-oxo-prosta-5Z,13E-dien-1-oic acid
Synonym: PGD₂
MF: C₂₀H₃₂O₅
FW: 352.5
Purity: \geq 98%
Stability: \geq 1 year at -20°C
Supplied as: A crystalline solid



Laboratory Procedures

Prostaglandin D₂ (PGD₂) is a biologically active primary prostaglandin and a common product of arachidonic metabolism in mammals. For long term storage, we suggest that PGD₂ be stored as supplied at -20°C. It should be stable for at least one year.

PGD₂ is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the PGD₂ in an organic solvent. PGD₂ is soluble in organic solvents such as ethanol, DMSO, or dimethyl formamide. The solubility of PGD₂ 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. Organic solvent-free aqueous solutions of PGD₂ can be prepared by directly dissolving the crystalline compound in aqueous buffers. The solubility of PGD₂ in PBS (pH 7.2) is approximately 5 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

PGD₂ is the major eicosanoid product of mast cells and is released in large quantities during allergic and asthmatic anaphylaxis.¹ Mastocytosis patients produce excessive amounts of PGD₂, which causes vasodilation, flushing, hypotension, and syncopal episodes.¹ PGD₂ is also produced in the brain *via* an alternative pathway involving a soluble, secreted PGD-synthase also known as β -trace.^{2,3} In the brain, PGD₂ produces normal physiological sleep and lowering of body temperature.^{2,3} Further pharmacological actions include inhibition of platelet aggregation and relaxation of vascular smooth muscle.⁴ PGD₂ inhibits human ovarian tumor cell proliferation with an IC₅₀ of 6.8 μ M.⁵

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