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Biological roles and research applications.

Complex glycosphingolipids are functional architects of cell behavior. These amphipathic lipids shape the outer leaflet of the plasma membrane, helping form lipid rafts that anchor receptors and signaling complexes. Their carbohydrate-rich headgroups, which often contain sialic acid residues, enable critical interactions in immune surveillance, cell adhesion, and signal transduction.

Glycosphingolipid imbalances are implicated in Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, certain cancers, and inherited metabolic syndromes. Their role in blood group antigen expression, especially globosides, places them at the center of transfusion science and hematological diagnostics. Altered glycosphingolipid signatures are emerging as diagnostic biomarkers for conditions ranging from glioblastoma to systemic lupus erythematosus.

Precision tools for decoding cellular complexity.

Complex glycosphingolipids are key compounds in decoding how cells communicate, differentiate, and react to disease in membrane biology, immunology, and neurological research. Avanti Research™ offers a curated collection of synthetic glycosphingolipids engineered with absolute structural fidelity and more than 97% purity.

From gangliosides to globosides, each compound is meticulously synthesized to empower advanced investigations into cell signaling, neurodegenerative disease mechanisms, and biomarker discovery. Our fully synthetic approach ensures batch-to-batch reproducibility, which makes these tools indispensable for researchers navigating the molecular landscape of cancer biology, inflammation, and membrane dynamics.



All Avanti Research™ glycosphingolipids undergo strict QC, delivering more than **97% purity** with structural verification detailed in our technical documentation. Unlike glycolipids extracted from natural sources, which can vary depending on source material and isolation method, our compounds are **fully synthetic**—ensuring **consistent performance** across experiments and scales. Each batch is validated by **advanced analytical techniques**, documented with **Certificates of Analysis (CoA)** and **MSDS documentation**, giving you confidence in every vial.

Whether you're mapping **glycan interactions**, building a **diagnostic panel**, or advancing **biomarker discovery**, these synthetic lipids provide unmatched control and reproducibility. To further support your research, we offer:

- Flexible packaging in **research-ready vials**
- Isotopically labeled variants for **LC-MS workflows**
- Custom synthesis of specific **ceramide or sugar variants** for bespoke projects

No matter your research needs, you can trust our materials to deliver clarity, consistency, and confidence.



Synthetic gangliosides, cerebroside, and globosides: tailored molecules for targeted discovery.



Cerebrosides

Cerebrosides are single-sugar glycosphingolipids such as glucosyl and galactosyl sphingolipids. They are abundant in neural tissues and commonly studied in the context of myelin structure and membrane biology. Their simplicity makes them useful models for exploring how glycosphingolipids influence membrane stability and neurological processes.

Gangliosides, such as GM3, GM2, GM1, GD2, GD3, GT3, are complex, sialylated glycosphingolipids that regulate cell signaling in the nervous system. They play essential roles in neuronal development, repair, and communication. Because of their altered expression in cancer, they are also central to tumor immunology and immune recognition studies.



Gangliosides



Globosides

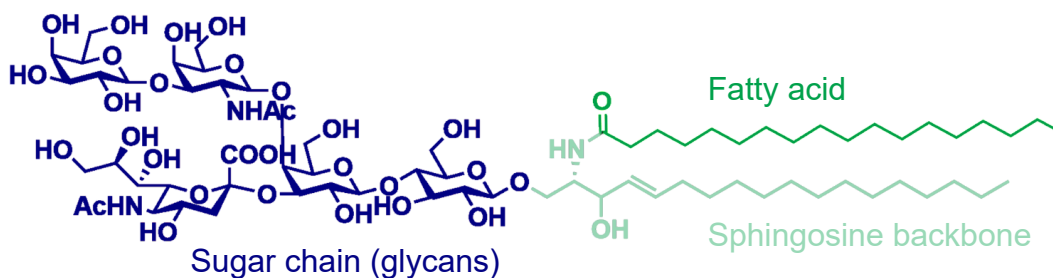
Globosides, such as Gb3, Gb4, Forssman, Globo-A/B/H, are non-sialylated glycosphingolipids with multiple sugar residues that contribute to blood group antigen systems. Many pathogens exploit globosides as cell-surface binding targets, making them important in infectious disease research. They are also linked to oncogenesis, where changes in glycosylation support tumor progression.

Isotopically labeled glycosphingolipids, such as C18:0-d7 gangliosides, provide stable internal standards for quantitative LC-MS lipidomics. Their incorporation improves accuracy by correcting for variability in sample preparation and matrix effects. These tools are widely used in biomarker discovery and validation, where sensitivity and reproducibility are essential.



Isotopically labeled

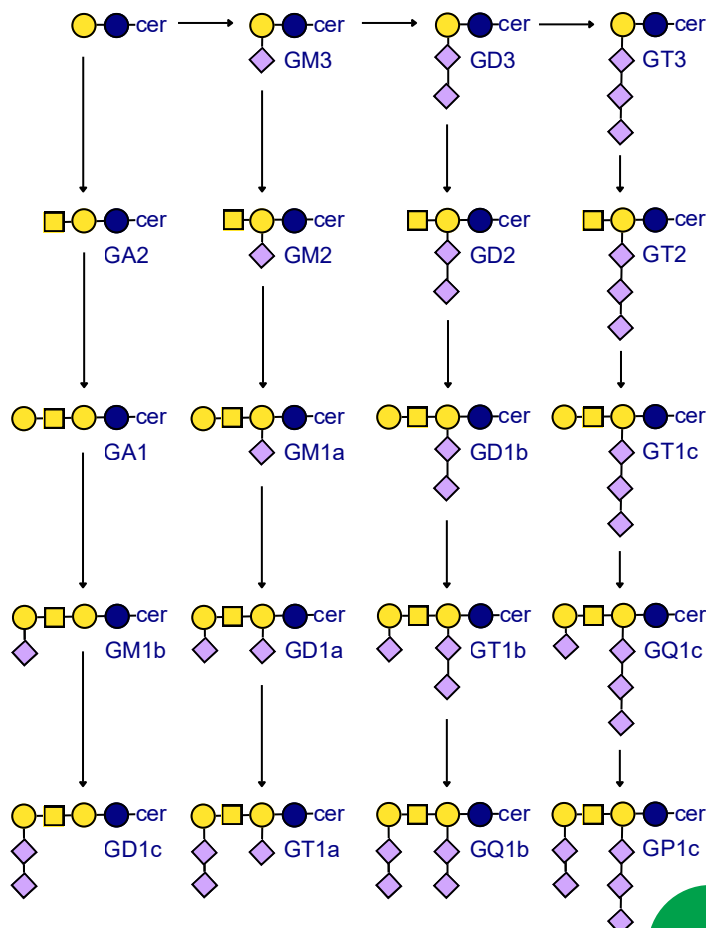
Anatomy of a complex glycosphingolipid



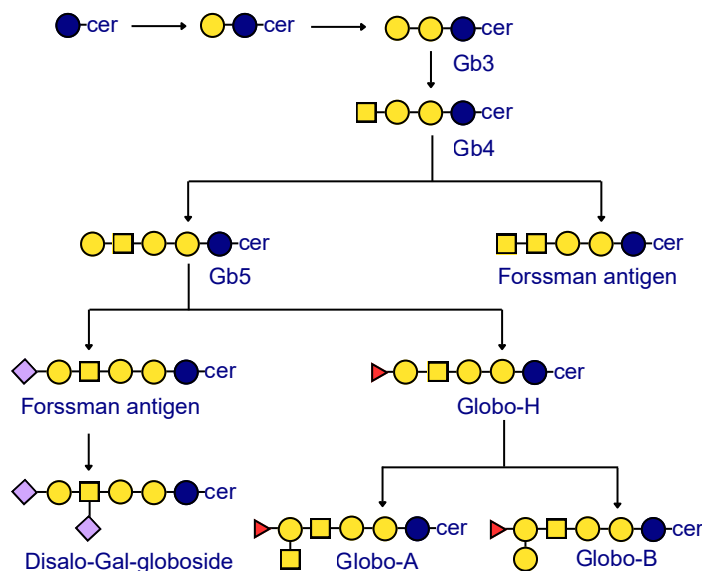
Glycan symbol nomenclature

Shape	Generic	Blue	Yellow	Purple	Light Blue	Red
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Filled Square	 HexNAc	 GlcNAc	 GalNAc	 AllNAc	 TalNAc	
Filled Triangle	 Deoxyhexose	 Qui			 6dTal	 Fuc
Filled Diamond	 3-deoxy-nonolusonic acids			 Neu5Ac	 Neu5Gc	 Sia

Ganglioside series

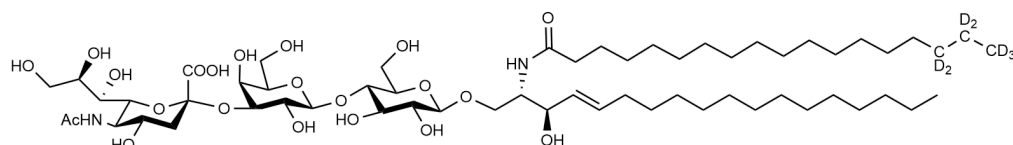


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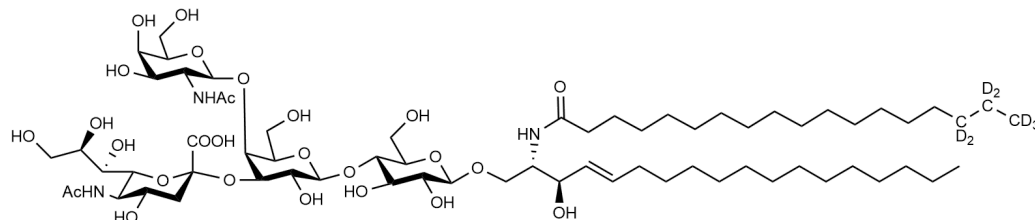
Stable Isotope-Labeled Glycolipids

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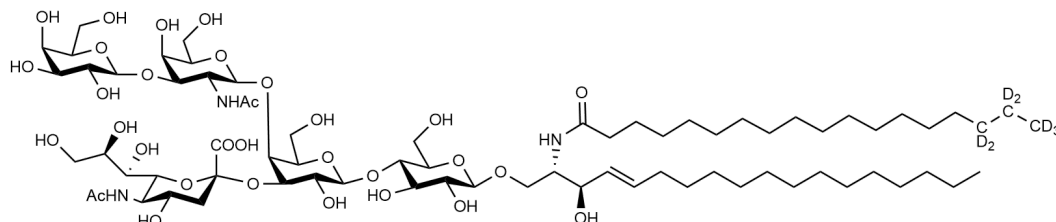
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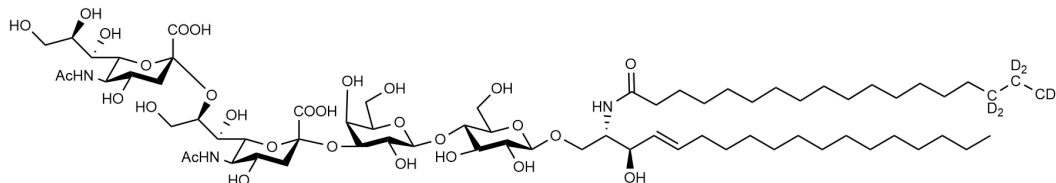
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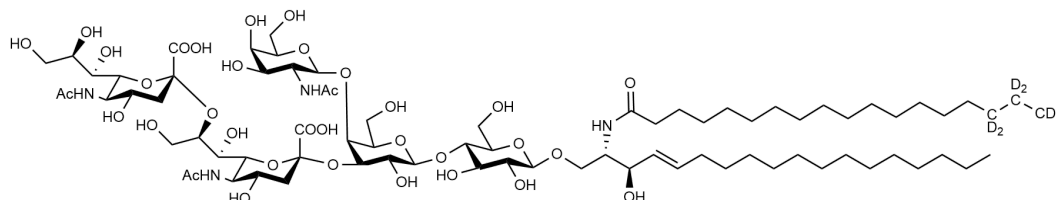
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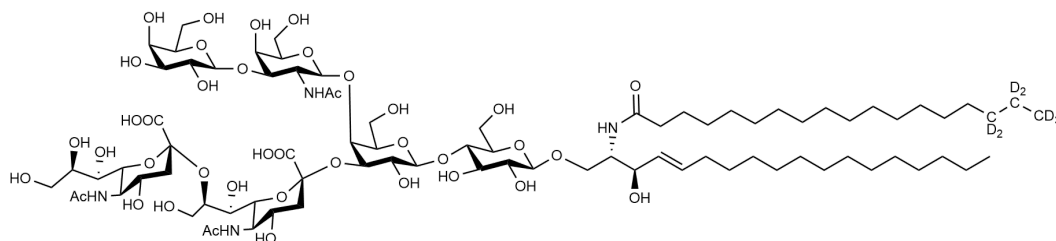
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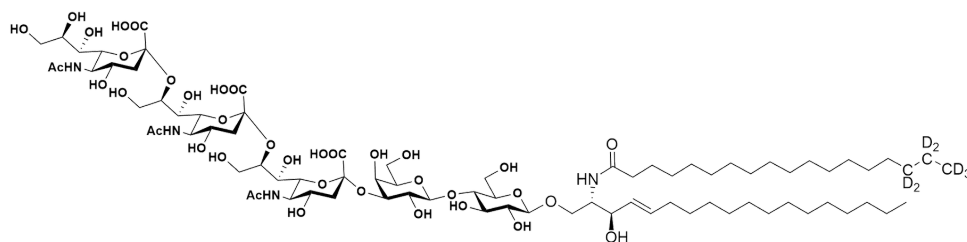
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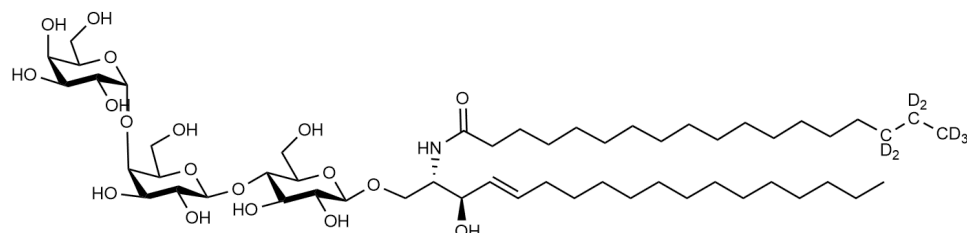
Stable Isotope-Labeled Glycolipids

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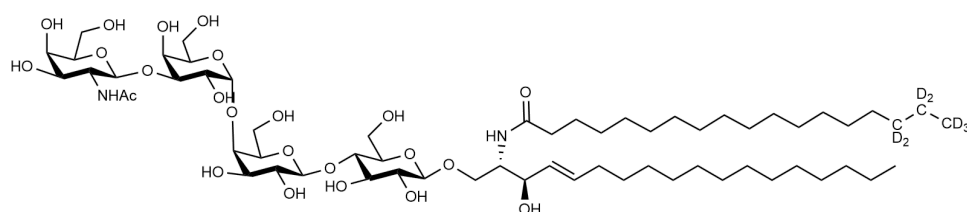
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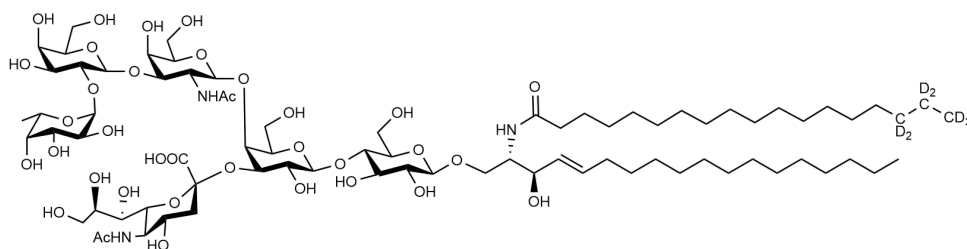
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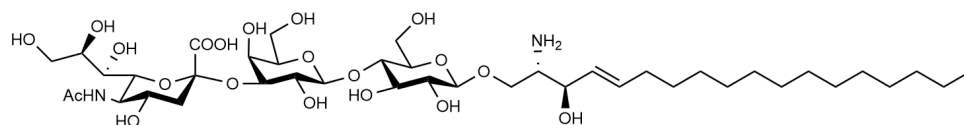
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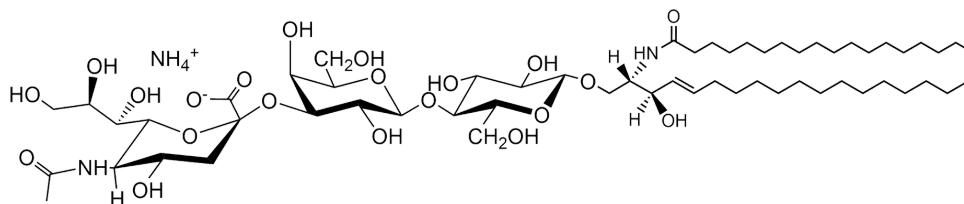
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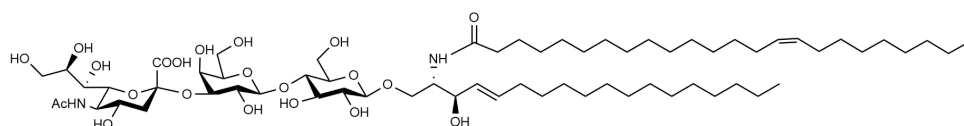
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GM3 Cer (d18:1/18:0)



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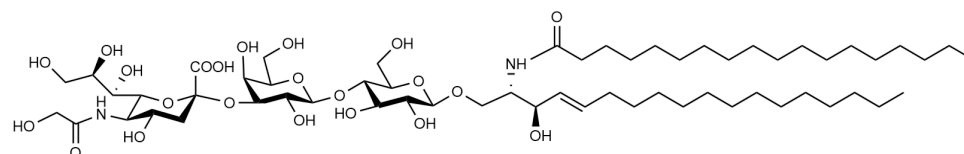
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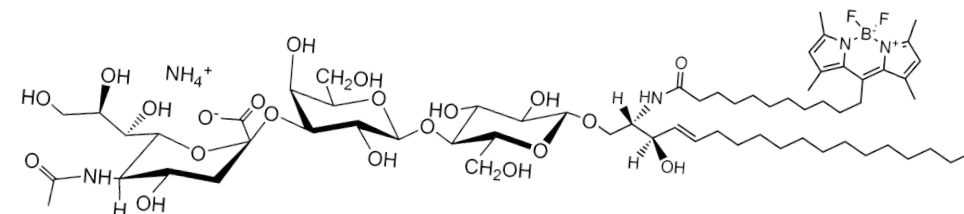
GM3 Derivatives - Modified

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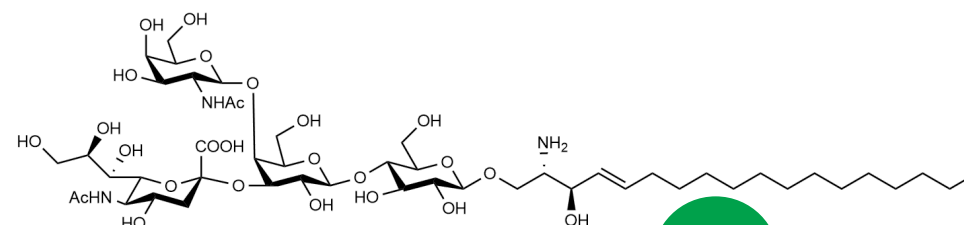
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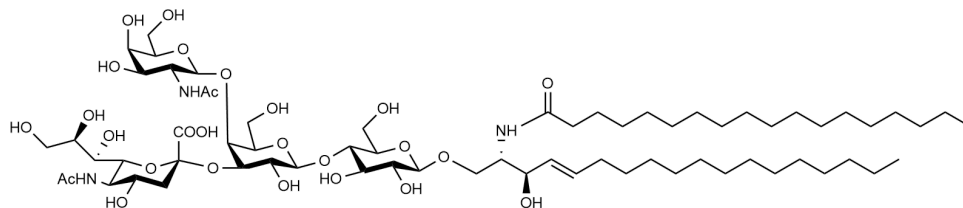
GM2 Derivatives

GM2 Sphingosine (d18:1)



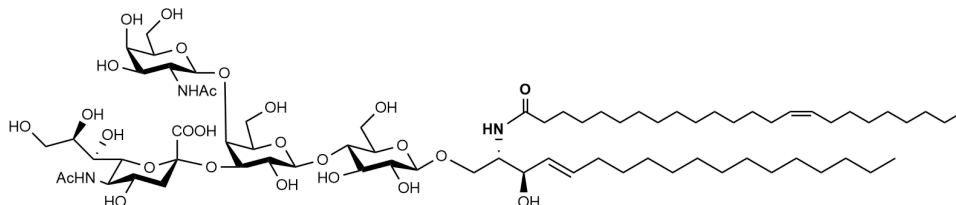
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GM2 Cer (d18:1/18:0)



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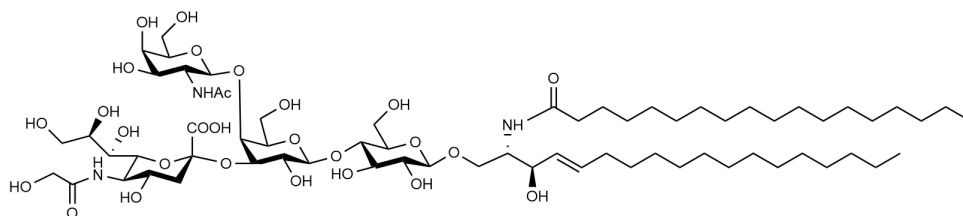
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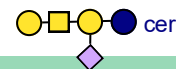
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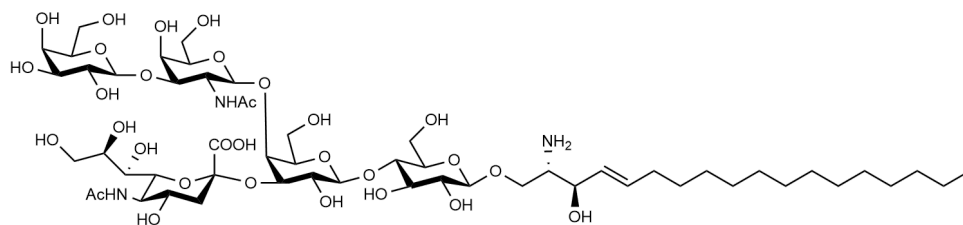


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GM1 Derivatives

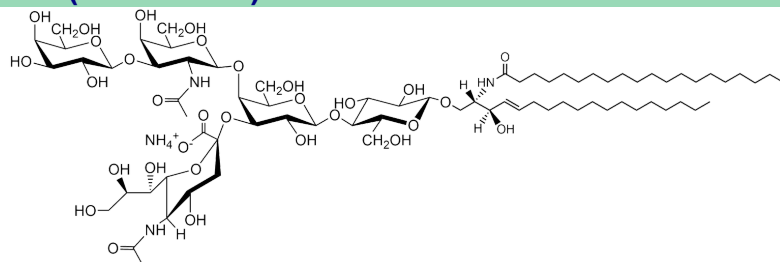


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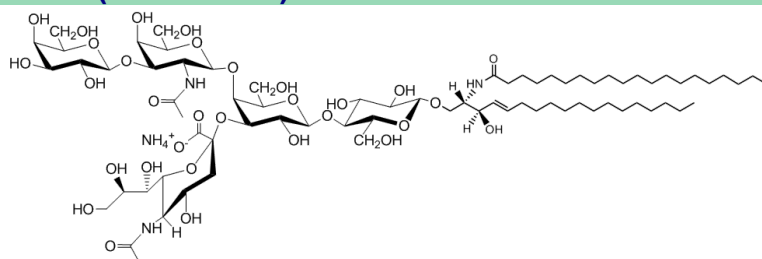
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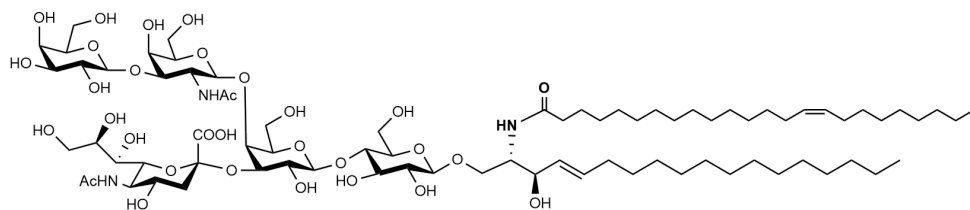
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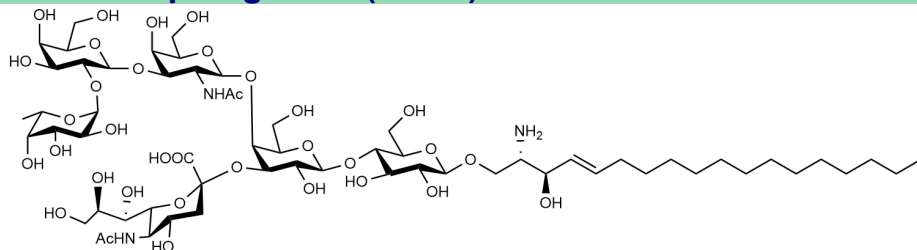
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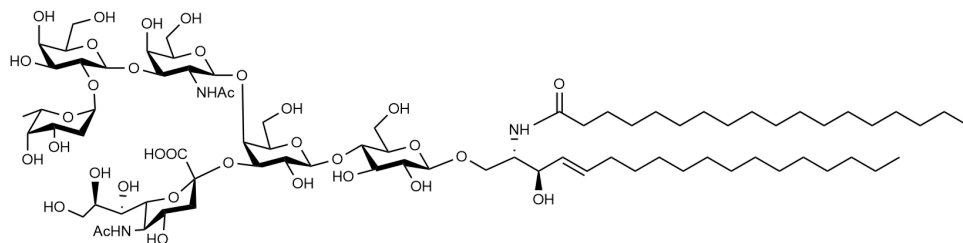
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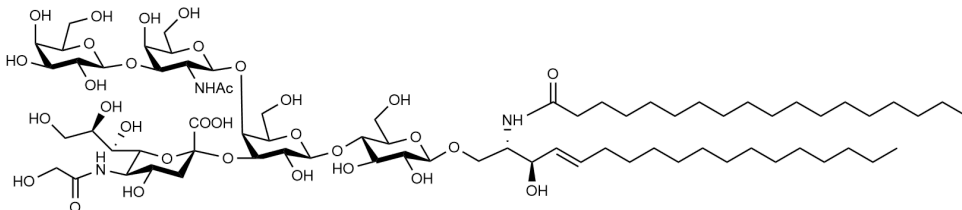
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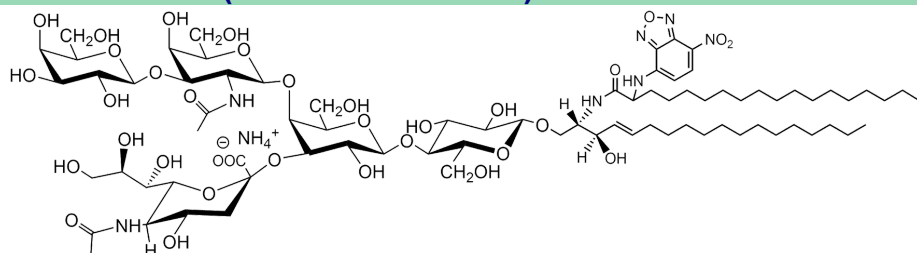
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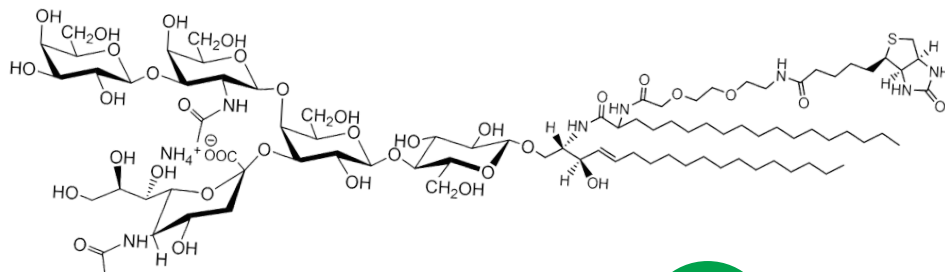
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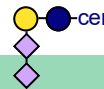
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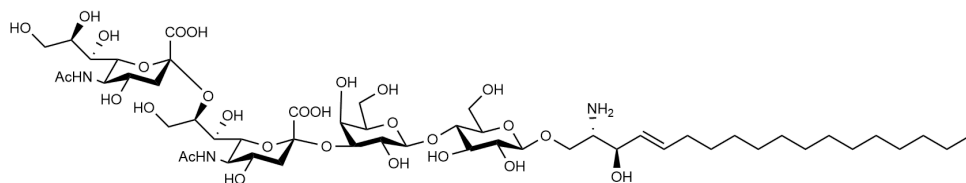


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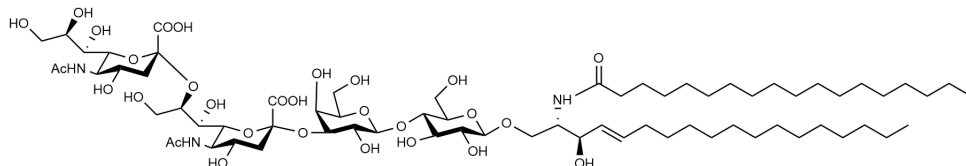


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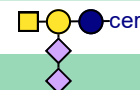
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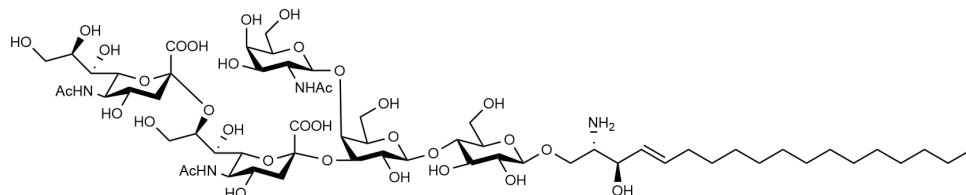


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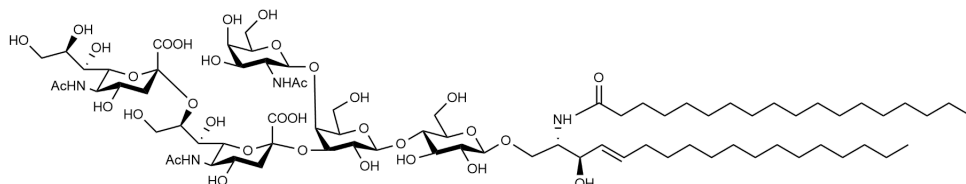


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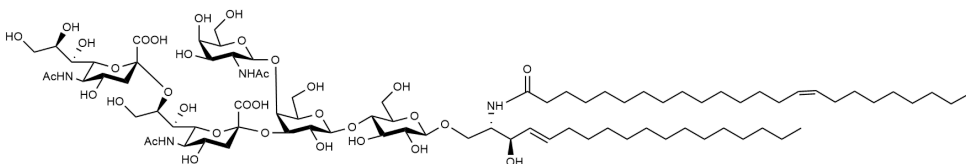
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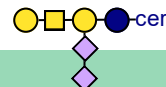
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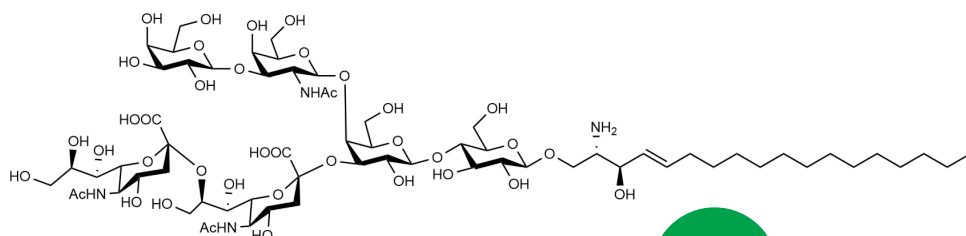


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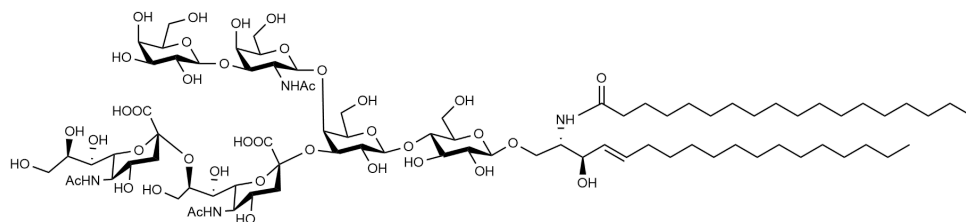


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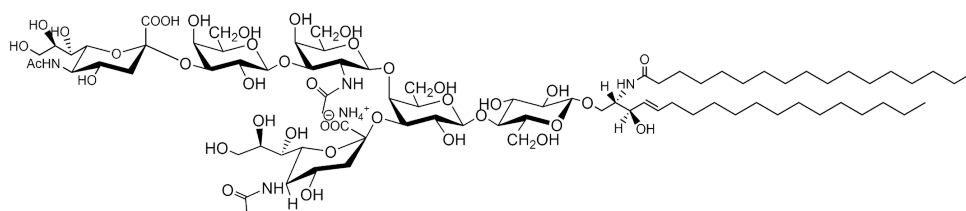
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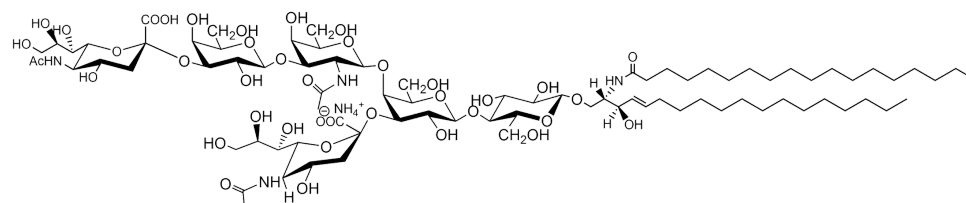
GD1a Derivatives

GD1a Cer (d18:1/17:0)



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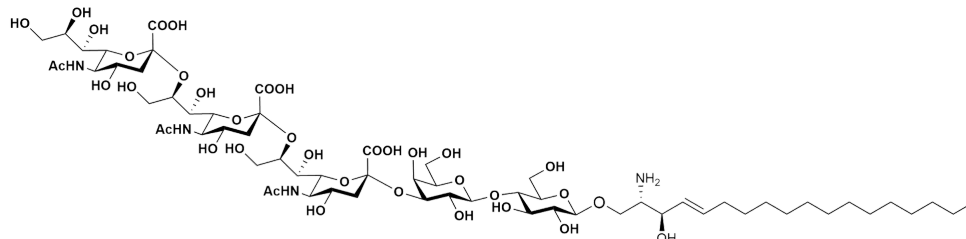
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GT3 Derivatives

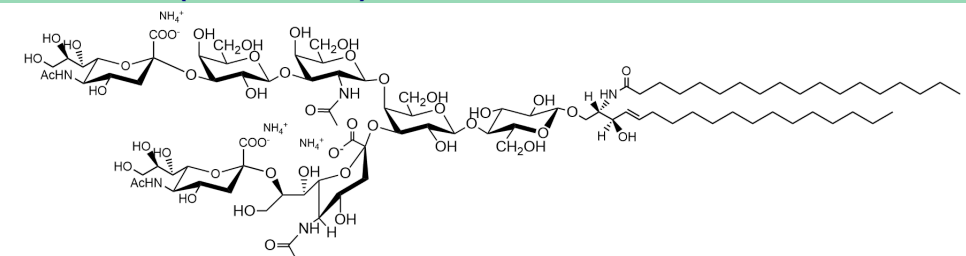
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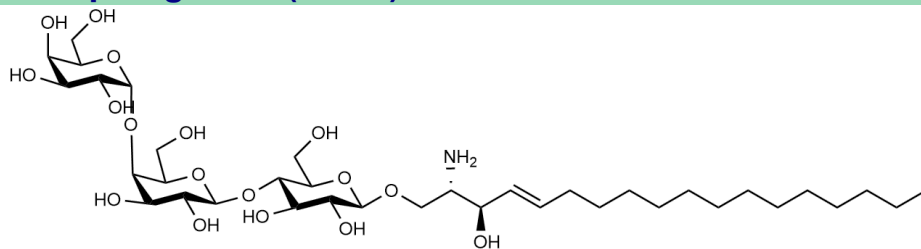
GT1b Derivatives

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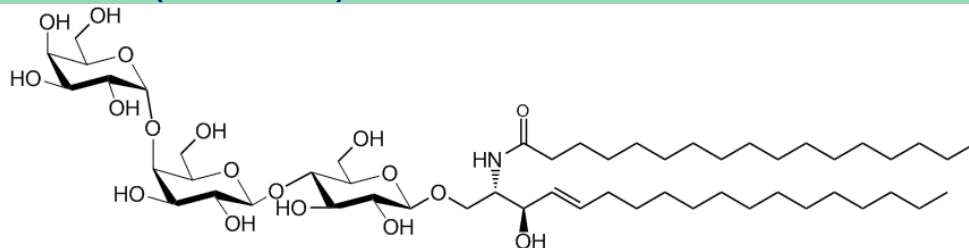
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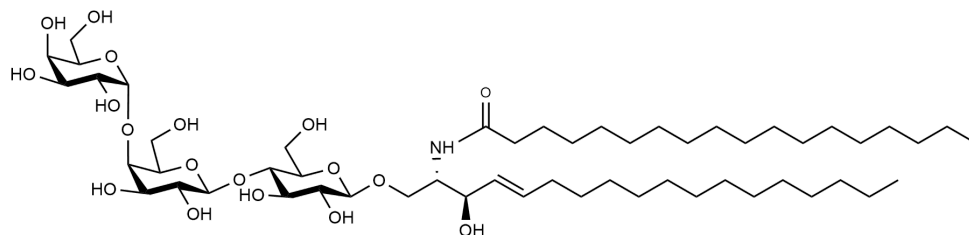
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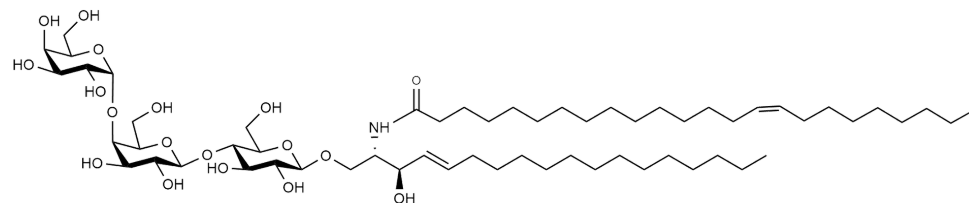
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 Physical State: Powder

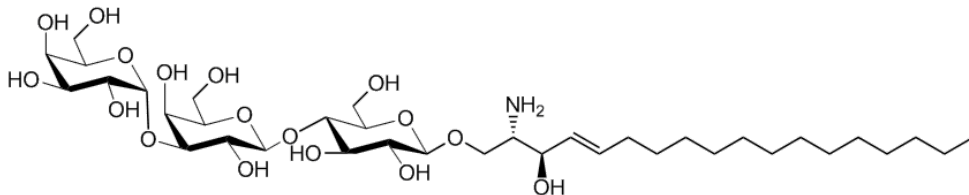
GB3 Cer (d18:1/24:1)



Product Code: A86167
 Legacy Code: 860167
 Molecular Weight: 1134.54
 Purity: >97%
 Package Size: 1 mg
 Physical State: Powder

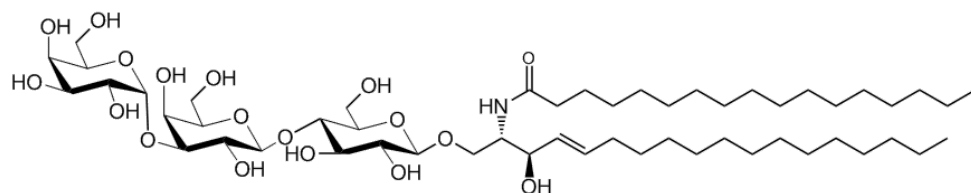
iGB3 Derivatives

iGB3 Sphingosine (d18:1)



Product Code: A86720
 Legacy Code: 860720
 Molecular Weight: 785.91
 Purity: >97%
 Package Size: 500 µg
 Physical State: Powder

iGB3 Cer (d18:1/17:0)

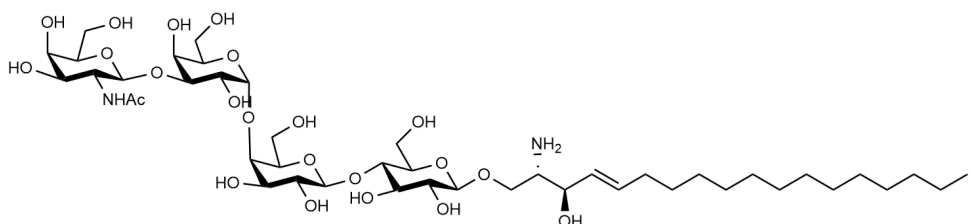


Product Code: A86722
Legacy Code: 860722
Molecular Weight: 1038.35
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Package Size: 500 µg
Physical State: Powder

GB4 Derivatives

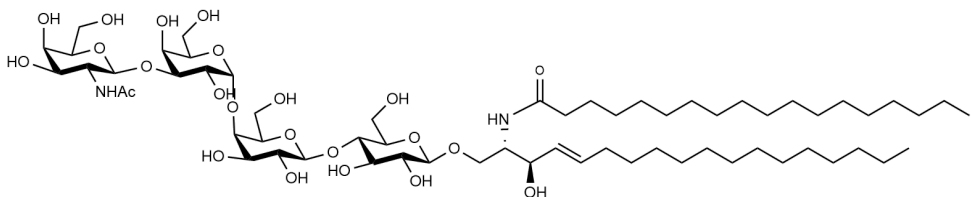


GB4 Sphingosine (d18:1)



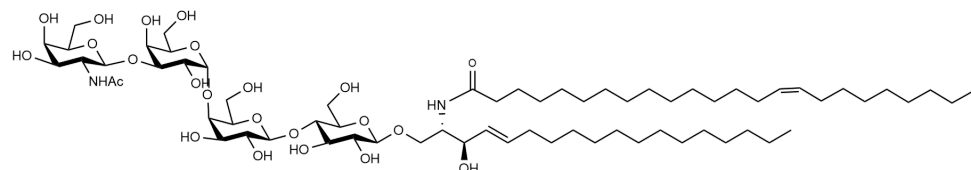
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Physical State: Powder

GB4 Cer (d18:1/18:0)



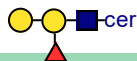
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Physical State: Powder

GB4 Cer (d18:1/24:1)

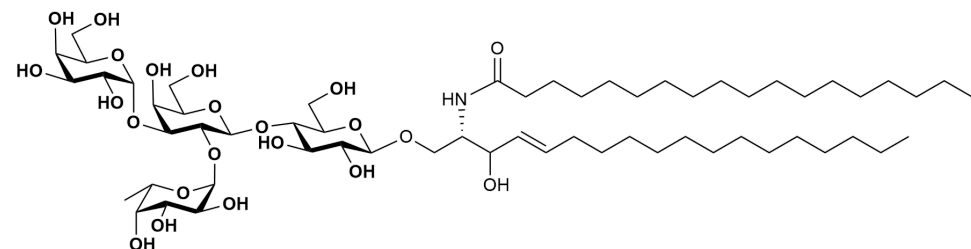


Product Code: A86166
Legacy Code: 860166
Molecular Weight: 1337.73
Purity: >97%
Package Size: 1 mg
Physical State: Powder

B-Antigen Derivatives



B Antigen Cer (d18:1/18:0)



Product Code: A86155
Legacy Code: 860155
Molecular Weight: 1198.53
Purity: >97%
Package Size: 1 mg
Physical State: Powder

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FAQ's

1. Purity and quality assurance

Q How pure are Avanti Research's glycosphingolipids?

A All products undergo strict QC and achieve $\geq 97\%$ purity, confirmed by advanced analytical techniques and detailed Certificates of Analysis (CoA).

2. LC-MS Compatibility

Q Are these products suitable for LC-MS quantification?

A Yes. Our isotopically labeled standards, like C18:0-d7 gangliosides, are validated in multiplex LC-MS workflows to enable accurate lipid profiling in serum and tissue.

3. Gangliosides vs. Globosides

Q What's the difference between gangliosides and globosides?

A Gangliosides contain one or more sialic acid residues, giving them a negative charge and roles in neuronal signaling. Globosides are neutral lipids involved in blood group expression and pathogen recognition.

4. Synthetic vs. Extracted

Q Why choose synthetic glycolipids over ones extracted from natural sources?

A Synthetic glycolipids ensure consistent performance across batches and eliminate variability caused by natural sources or isolation methods.

5. Packaging and custom options

Q Do you support bulk or custom requests?

A Yes. We provide flexible packaging, bulk formats, and custom synthesis of specific ceramide or sugar variants to meet diverse research needs.



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