

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

Methyl octadecenoate (*cis*-11)

Catalog number: 1267

Common Name: Methyl *cis*-vaccenate; C18:1
(*cis*-11) Methyl ester

Source: semisynthetic, plant

Solubility: chloroform, hexane, ethyl ether

CAS number: 1937-63-9

Molecular Formula: C₁₉H₃₆O₂

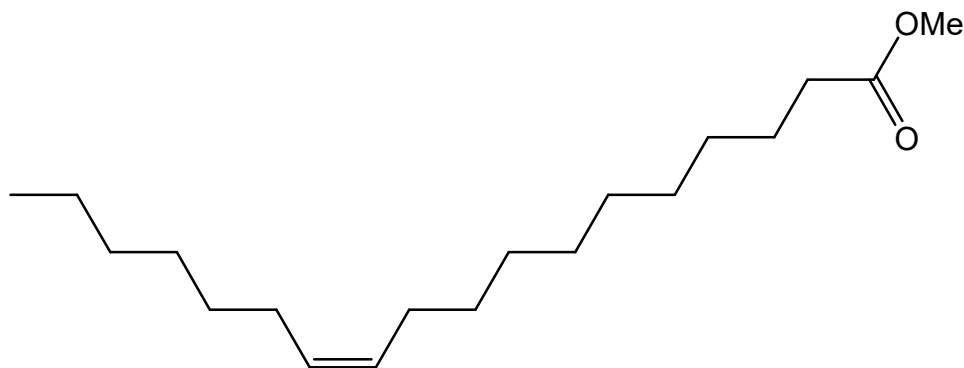
Molecular Weight: 297

Storage: -20°C

Purity: TLC: 99%, GC: 99%

TLC System: hexane/ethyl ether (85:15)

Appearance: liquid



Application Notes:

This high purity fatty acid methyl ester is ideal as a standard and for biological studies. *cis*-11-Octadecenoic acid (*cis*-vaccenic acid) is an eighteen-carbon monounsaturated fatty acid that is a major fatty acid in bacteria, including intestinal bacteria, and usually a minor component in plant and animal tissues.¹ However, some plants have a much higher concentration of *cis*-vaccenic acid than others.² It is a positional isomer of oleic acid which is much more abundant in plants and animals. It is commonly used as a bacterial biomarker. Although lower growth temperatures generally cause microorganisms to produce more unsaturated fatty acids, a mutant *Escherichia coli* was found to overproduce *cis*-vaccenic acid even at elevated temperatures.³

Selected References:

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