# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## L-Selenomethionine

Item No. 16005

CAS Registry No.: 3211-76-5

Formal Name: 2S-amino-4-(methylseleno)-butanoic acid

Synonyms: SEM, SeMet MF: C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>Se FW: 196.1 **Purity:** ≥98%

 $\lambda_{max}$ : 215 nm A crystalline solid UV/Vis.: Supplied as:

Storage: -20°C Stability: ≥2 years

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

## **Laboratory Procedures**

L-Selenomethionine (SeMet) is supplied as a crystalline solid. A stock solution may be made by dissolving the SeMet in water. The solubility of SeMet in water is approximately 50 mg/ml. We do not recommend storing the aqueous solution for more than one day.

### Description

SeMet, a naturally occurring amino acid, is the predominant form of selenium found in Brazil nuts, grains, soy beans, and legumes. It promotes cell cycle progression and is known to elevate the expression of the antioxidant enzymes thioredoxin reductase, glutathione reductase, and glutathione peroxidase.<sup>2-4</sup> At 5 μM, SeMet has been shown to selectively induce apoptosis in LNCaP prostate cancer cells without affecting non-cancerous cells.5

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WARNING
THIS PRODUCT IS FOR RESEARCH ONLY - NOT FOR HUMAN OR VETERINARY DIAGNOSTIC OR THERAPEUTIC USE.

This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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