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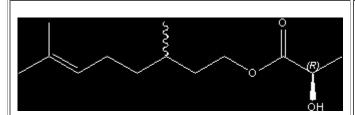
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The Citronellyl lactates

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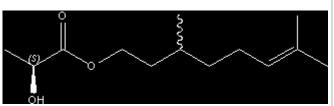


(3RS)-citronellyl (2R)-lactate - a flowery character of lily of the valley type, warm and rich and more natural than rosy alcohols (Rosilial PlusTM); this enantiomer (2-diastereomers) was introduced into commerce by Rhodia in early 2003 and is described in their literature as "Rosy floral note with a citrus facet. It brings a natural effect "

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Rhodia's patent indicates that the configuration at the C3 position of the citronellol portion of this molecule is racemic - accordingly we have depicted it as racemic in the 2D-representation and as (R) in the 3D representation (above)

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(3RS)-citronellyl (2S)-lactate - a flowery honeysuckle character closer to citronellol, which gives it a less natural effect than the (3RS)-citronellyl (2R)-lactate.

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