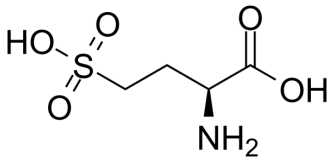
L-Homocysteic acid

Cat. No.:	HY-138903
CAS No.:	14857-77-3
Molecular Formula:	$C_4H_9NO_5S$
Molecular Weight:	183.18
Target:	iGluR
Pathway:	Membrane Transporter/Ion Channel; Neuronal Signaling
Storage:	Please store the product under the recommended conditions in the Certificate of Analysis.



BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

Description	L-Homocysteic acid (L-HCA) is an endogenous excitatory amino acid that acts as a NMDA receptor agonist (EC_{50}: 14 μM). L-Homocysteic acid is neurotoxic, and can be used in the research of neurological disorders[1][2][3].
IC_{50} & Target	NMDA Receptor 14 μM (EC50)
In Vitro	L-Homocysteic acid activates NMDA receptor with an EC_{50} value of 14 μM[1]. L-Homocysteic acid (100 μM) induces large currents (1.8 nA) that is insensitive to the NMDA receptor-antagonist mixture in Purkinje cells[1]. L-Homocysteic acid (250 μM, 30 min) potently induces an acute excitotoxic reaction in ex vivo chick embryo retina[2]. L-Homocysteic acid (0-2 mM, 48 h) induces a concentration-dependent neurotoxic effect in rat primary neurons[3]. MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.
In Vivo	L-Homocysteic acid (intraperitoneal injection, 4-11 mmol/kg) elicits seizures in rats during early postnatal development[4]. L-Homocysteic acid (intraperitoneal injection, 100-1500 mg/kg) partially substitutes for NMDA, producing maximum values of 61-67% NMDA-lever responding at doses of 1000 and 560 mg/kg, respectively in Sprague-Dawley rats[5]. MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

Animal Model:	Male albino rats of the Wistar strain[4]
Dosage:	4, 5.5, 8, 11 mM/kg
Administration:	Intraperitoneal injection, daily for 14 days
Result:	Induced flexion seizures at 4 mmol/kg. Led to intense tail flicking, pivoting, and locomotion. Decreased ECoG (electrocorticograms) activity for 5-9 min.

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