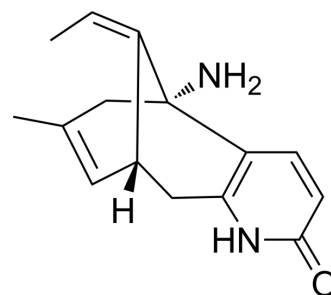


## (-)-Huperzine A

<b>Cat. No.:</b>	HY-17387		
<b>CAS No.:</b>	102518-79-6		
<b>Molecular Formula:</b>	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O		
<b>Molecular Weight:</b>	242.32		
<b>Target:</b>	Cholinesterase (ChE); Apoptosis; iGluR		
<b>Pathway:</b>	Neuronal Signaling; Apoptosis; Membrane Transporter/Ion Channel		
<b>Storage:</b>	Powder	-20°C	3 years
		4°C	2 years
	In solvent	-80°C	2 years
		-20°C	1 year



### SOLVENT & SOLUBILITY

#### In Vitro

DMSO : ≥ 100 mg/mL (412.68 mM)  
 \* "≥" means soluble, but saturation unknown.

	Solvent Concentration	Mass		
		1 mg	5 mg	10 mg
Preparing Stock Solutions	1 mM	4.1268 mL	20.6339 mL	41.2677 mL
	5 mM	0.8254 mL	4.1268 mL	8.2535 mL
	10 mM	0.4127 mL	2.0634 mL	4.1268 mL

Please refer to the solubility information to select the appropriate solvent.

#### In Vivo

- Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 40% PEG300 >> 5% Tween-80 >> 45% saline  
 Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (10.32 mM); Clear solution
- Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% (20% SBE-β-CD in saline)  
 Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (10.32 mM); Clear solution
- Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% corn oil  
 Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (10.32 mM); Clear solution

### BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

#### Description

(-)-Huperzine A (Huperzine A) is an alkaloid isolated from *Huperzia serrata*, with neuroprotective activity. (-)-Huperzine A is a potent, highly specific, reversible and blood-brain barrier penetrant inhibitor of acetylcholinesterase (AChE), with an IC<sub>50</sub> of 82 nM. (-)-Huperzine A also is non-competitive antagonist of N-methyl-D-aspartate glutamate (NMDA) receptor. (-)-Huperzine A is developed for the research of neurodegenerative diseases, including Alzheimer's disease<sup>[1][2][3][4][5]</sup>.

#### IC<sub>50</sub> & Target

AChE	NMDA Receptor
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<b>In Vitro</b>	<p>(-)-Huperzine A (1 <math>\mu</math>M; 2 hours) attenuates A<math>\beta</math>23-35 (20 <math>\mu</math>M)-induced neuronal injury<sup>[2]</sup>.  (-)-Huperzine A (100 <math>\mu</math>M) reversibly inhibits the NMDA-induced current (IC<sub>50</sub>=126 <math>\mu</math>M) in whole-cell voltage-clamp recording in CA1 pyramidal neurons acutely dissociated from rat hippocampus<sup>[3]</sup>.  MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.</p>								
<b>In Vivo</b>	<p>(-)-Huperzine A (0.1-0.2 mg/kg; i.p.; daily; for 12 days) can alleviate the cognitive dysfunction and neuronal degeneration induced by i.c.v. infusion of beta-amyloid protein-(1-40) in rats<sup>[5]</sup>.  MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="347 415 1515 758"> <tr> <td data-bbox="347 415 618 478">Animal Model:</td> <td data-bbox="618 415 1515 478">Male Sprague-Dawley rats (220-280 g)<sup>[5]</sup></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="347 478 618 541">Dosage:</td> <td data-bbox="618 478 1515 541">0.1 mg/kg, 0.2 mg/kg</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="347 541 618 604">Administration:</td> <td data-bbox="618 541 1515 604">Intraperitoneal injection, daily, for 12 days</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="347 604 618 758">Result:</td> <td data-bbox="618 604 1515 758">Partly reversed the down-regulation of anti-apoptotic Bcl-2 and the up-regulation of pro-apoptotic Bax and P53 proteins and reduced the apoptosis that normally followed b-amyloid injection; alleviated the cognitive dysfunction induced by b-amyloid protein-(1-40).</td> </tr> </table>	Animal Model:	Male Sprague-Dawley rats (220-280 g) <sup>[5]</sup>	Dosage:	0.1 mg/kg, 0.2 mg/kg	Administration:	Intraperitoneal injection, daily, for 12 days	Result:	Partly reversed the down-regulation of anti-apoptotic Bcl-2 and the up-regulation of pro-apoptotic Bax and P53 proteins and reduced the apoptosis that normally followed b-amyloid injection; alleviated the cognitive dysfunction induced by b-amyloid protein-(1-40).
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