Inhibitors

Digitoxin

Cat. No.: HY-B1357 CAS No.: 71-63-6 Molecular Formula: C₄₁H₆₄O₁₃ Molecular Weight: 764.94

Bcl-2 Family; Caspase; Apoptosis; HSV; Na+/K+ ATPase; Calcium Channel Target:

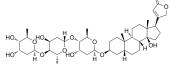
Pathway: Apoptosis; Anti-infection; Membrane Transporter/Ion Channel; Neuronal Signaling

Storage: Powder -20°C 3 years

4°C 2 years

In solvent -80°C 2 years

> -20°C 1 year



Product Data Sheet

SOLVENT & SOLUBILITY

In Vitro

DMSO: 100 mg/mL (130.73 mM; Need ultrasonic)

| | Solvent Mass Concentration | 1 mg | 5 mg | 10 mg |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Preparing Stock Solutions | 1 mM | 1.3073 mL | 6.5365 mL | 13.0729 mL |
| Stock Solutions | 5 mM | 0.2615 mL | 1.3073 mL | 2.6146 mL |
| | 10 mM | 0.1307 mL | 0.6536 mL | 1.3073 mL |

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

In Vivo

- 1. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 40% PEG300 >> 5% Tween-80 >> 45% saline Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (3.27 mM); Clear solution
- 2. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% (20% SBE-β-CD in saline) Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (3.27 mM); Clear solution
- 3. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% corn oil Solubility: ≥ 2.5 mg/mL (3.27 mM); Clear solution

BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

| Description | Digitoxin is an anti-cancer agent. Digitoxin induces apoptosis, inhibits influenza cytokine storm, causes DNA double-stranded breaks (DSBs) and blocks the cell cycle at the G2/M phase. Digitoxin induces calcium uptake into cells by forming transmembrane calcium channels and can be used for research of heart failure [1][2][3][4][5]. | | | |
|---------------------------|---|-----------|-----------|-----|
| IC ₅₀ & Target | Bcl-2 | Caspase-9 | Caspase 3 | Bax |
| | HSV-1 | | | |

In Vitro

Digitoxin (0-80 nM, 72 h) compromised cell survival in PC12 cells $^{[1]}$.

Digitoxin (4-1000 nM, 24-48 h) has an antitumor effects in MHCC97H, A549, HCT116 and HeLa cells^[3].

Digitoxin (4-100 nM, 24-48 h) disrupts the cell cycle in HeLa cells $^{[3]}$.

Digitoxin (20-500 nM, 48 h) activates mitochondrial apoptosis in HeLa cells^[3].

MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

Cell Viability Assay^[3]

| Cell Line: | MHCC97H, A549, HCT116 and HeLa cells |
|------------------|--|
| Concentration: | 4-1000 nM |
| Incubation Time: | 24 h, 48 h |
| Result: | Dcreased the viability of these cancer cells in a dose- and time-dependent manner, with the IC $_{50}$ values ranging from 0.075 to 0.395 μ M following digitoxin treatment for 24 h and from 0.028 to 0.077 μ M following digitoxin treatment for 48 h. |

Cell Cycle Analysis^[3]

| Cell Line: | HeLa cells |
|------------------|--|
| Concentration: | 4 nM, 20 nM, 100 nM |
| Incubation Time: | 24 h, 36 h, 48 h |
| Result: | Increased cell population in the G2/M phase from 16.27 to 18.36, 23.46 and 31.51% at concentrations of 20 nM for12, 24 and 36 h. Increased average cell population in the G2/M phase from 16.27 to 28.07% at concentrations of 4, 20 and 100 nM for 24 h. Significantly decreased the protein expression levels of total CDK1 and phosphorylated CDK1. |

Apoptosis Analysis^[3]

| Cell Line: | HeLa cells | |
|------------------|--|--|
| Concentration: | 20 nM, 100 nM, 500 nM | |
| Incubation Time: | 48 h | |
| Result: | Upregulated Bax expression and unaltered Bcl-2 expression. Significantly increased the expression of cytochrome c. | |

In Vivo

Digitoxin (1-2 mg/kg, Intraperitoneal injection, once a day for 19 days) has anticancer effects in nude mice^[3]. Digitoxin (0.3-3 μ g/kg, Intraperitoneal injection, once a day for 4 days) blocks the host over-production of cytokines in the cotton rat lung^[4].

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| Animal Model: | nude mice harboring HeLa tumor xenografts ^[3] |
|-----------------|--|
| Dosage: | 1 mg/kg, 2 mg/kg |
| Administration: | Intraperitoneal injection (i.p.) |
| Result: | Decreased the tumor volume from 330.71±45.61 to 214.56.93±73.25 mm. Strongly increased the protein levels of cleaved caspase-3. |

| | Reduced the number of Ki-67-positive cells. |
|-----------------|--|
| Animal Model: | cotton rats ^[4] |
| Dosage: | 0.3 μg/kg, 1 μg/kg, 3 μg/kg |
| Administration: | Intraperitoneal injection (i.p.) |
| Result: | Blocked cytokine storm. Differentially affected cytokine expression. Left immune cell density intact in virus-infected lung. |

CUSTOMER VALIDATION

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