Cat. No.: HY-N0606 CAS No.: 105558-26-7 Molecular Formula:  $C_{36}H_{60}O_{7}$ Molecular Weight: 604.86 Target: Keap1-Nrf2 Pathway: NF-κΒ

**Ginsenoside Rh3** 

Storage: Powder -20°C 3 years

2 years

In solvent -80°C 6 months

> -20°C 1 month

**Product** Data Sheet

### **SOLVENT & SOLUBILITY**

In Vitro

DMSO: 6.67 mg/mL (11.03 mM; ultrasonic and warming and heat to 60°C)

Preparing Stock Solutions	Solvent Mass Concentration	1 mg	5 mg	10 mg
	1 mM	1.6533 mL	8.2664 mL	16.5328 mL
	5 mM	0.3307 mL	1.6533 mL	3.3066 mL
	10 mM	0.1653 mL	0.8266 mL	1.6533 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: 0.67 mg/mL (1.11 mM); Suspended solution; Need ultrasonic
- 2. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% corn oil Solubility: ≥ 0.67 mg/mL (1.11 mM); Clear solution

## **BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY**

Description	Ginsenoside Rh3 is a bacterial metabolite of Ginsenoside Rg5. Ginsenoside Rh3 treatment in human retinal cells induces Nrf2 activation.
IC <sub>50</sub> & Target	$Nrf2^{[1]}$
In Vitro	Ginsenoside Rh3 inhibits UV-induced oxidative damages in retinal cells via activating nuclear-factor-E2-related factor 2 (Nrf2) signaling. Ginsenoside Rh3 treatment in retinal cells induces Nrf2 activation. The potential activity of Ginsenoside Rh3 is tested on Nrf2 signaling in the retinal pigment epithelium cells (RPEs). The qRT-PCR assay results demonstrate that treatment with Ginsenoside Rh3 dose-dependently increases mRNA transcription and expression of key Nrf2-regulated genes, including HO1, NQO1 and GCLC. Consequently, protein expressions of these Nrf2-dependent genes (HO1, NQO1 and

GCLC) are also significantly increased in Ginsenoside Rh3 (3-10  $\mu$ M)-treated RPEs. Notably, although Nrf2 mRNA level is unchanged after Ginsenoside Rh3 treatment, its protein level is significantly increased by Rh3<sup>[1]</sup>. EZ-Cytox assay is used to assess the effect of ginsenoside-Rh3 on SP 1-keratinocytes viability. Ginsenoside Rh3 (0.01, 0.1, 1 and 10  $\mu$ M) shows no cytotoxic effect at all concentrations<sup>[2]</sup>.

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#### In Vivo

The potential effect of Ginsenoside Rh3 is examined on mouse retina, using the light-induced retinal damage model. Ginsenoside Rh3 intravitreal injection (5 mg/kg body weight, 30 min pre-treatment) significantly attenuates light-induced decrease of both a- and b-wave amplitude. The electroretinography (ERG)'s a-wave decreases to  $46.03\pm1.62\%$  % of control level after light exposure, which is back to  $71.84\pm7.51\%$  with Ginsenoside Rh3 administration. The b-wave is  $40.19\pm3.34\%$  of control level by light exposure, and Rh3 intravitreal injection brings back to  $80.01\pm2.37\%$  of control level<sup>[1]</sup>.

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#### **PROTOCOL**

#### Cell Assay [2]

SP-1 keratinocytes are seeded in 96 well plates ( $2\times10^4$  cells/well). After 24 h, the media is replaced with media containing various concentrations of (A) SKRG, or (B) Ginsenoside Rh3 (0.01, 0.1, 1 and 10  $\mu$ M). Control cells are treated with DMSO at a final concentration of 0.1%. After 24 h, the media containing the compounds or DMSO is replaced with media containing 10% EZ-Cytox. The cells are then incubated at 37°C for 1 h, and the absorbance is measured using a microplate reader at a wavelength of 450 nm. All assays are performed in triplicate<sup>[2]</sup>.

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# Animal Administration [1]

#### Mice<sup>[1]</sup>

The BALB/c mice (Male, 5-6 week old, 17-18 g weight) are used. The pupillary dilation is performed before exposure to 5000 lx of white fluorescent light. Thirty min before light exposure, Ginsenoside Rh3 (at 5 mg/kg body weight) are injected intravitreally to the right eye. ERG recording after light exposure is also reported early. The b-wave amplitude is measured from the trough of the a-wave to the peak of the b-wave, and the amplitude of the a-wave is measured from the initial baseline.

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### **CUSTOMER VALIDATION**

• Free Radic Biol Med. 2018 Mar;117:238-246.

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#### **REFERENCES**

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