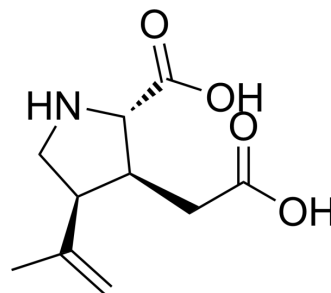


## Kainic acid

<b>Cat. No.:</b>	HY-N2309		
<b>CAS No.:</b>	487-79-6		
<b>Molecular Formula:</b>	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>15</sub> NO <sub>4</sub>		
<b>Molecular Weight:</b>	213.23		
<b>Target:</b>	EAAT		
<b>Pathway:</b>	Membrane Transporter/Ion Channel		
<b>Storage:</b>	Powder	-20°C	3 years
		4°C	2 years
	In solvent	-80°C	6 months
		-20°C	1 month



### SOLVENT & SOLUBILITY

#### In Vitro

DMSO : 40 mg/mL (187.59 mM; ultrasonic and adjust pH to 3 with 1 M HCL)  
 H<sub>2</sub>O : 25 mg/mL (117.24 mM; ultrasonic and warming and heat to 60°C)

Preparing Stock Solutions	Solvent Concentration	Mass		
		1 mg	5 mg	10 mg
	1 mM	4.6898 mL	23.4489 mL	46.8977 mL
	5 mM	0.9380 mL	4.6898 mL	9.3795 mL
	10 mM	0.4690 mL	2.3449 mL	4.6898 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: ≥ 5 mg/mL (23.45 mM); Clear solution
- Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% (20% SBE-β-CD in saline)  
Solubility: ≥ 5 mg/mL (23.45 mM); Clear solution
- Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% corn oil  
Solubility: ≥ 5 mg/mL (23.45 mM); Clear solution

### BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

#### Description

Kainic acid is a potent excitotoxic agent. Kainic acid hydrate also is an agonist for a subtype of ionotropic glutamate receptor. Kainic acid induces seizures<sup>[1][2]</sup>.

#### In Vivo

Kainic acid (5 mg/kg; i.p.; hourly at least 3 h until status epilepticus) induces seizures in rats<sup>[1]</sup>. The kainic acid induced seizures model is a good tool to study temporal lobe epilepsy. The model can be reproduced in a variety of species through either systemic, intrahippocampal or intra-amygdaloid administrations. The systemic Kainic acid administration induced

model is similar with human temporal lobe epilepsy (TLE)<sup>[3][6]</sup>. Kainic acid (5 nmoles, injections into the neostriatum, substantia nigra or cerebellum) shows that more than half of the compound disappeared from the injection site and the brain by 1/2 hour post injection, and less than radioactivity of 7 pmol/mg of tissue were found in other areas<sup>[4]</sup>.

#### 1. Induction of epilepsy model<sup>[5]</sup>

##### Background

Kainic acid, an analog of L-glutamate and an ionotropic KA receptor agonist, can damage hippocampal pyramidal neurons.

##### Specific Modeling Methods

Mice: C57BL/6J • male • 7 weeks old • 22 g body weight

Administration: 10 µg in 5 µL • i.c.v.

##### Note

(1) The right lateral brain ventricle is localized with a stereotactic instrument.

(2) After the operation, skin was sutured, and keep the mice under a warming place until they wake up.

(3) 48 hours after lateral ventricle injection, the mice are anaesthetized using Isoflurane and then sequentially intracardially perfused with saline and PFA (4%, 30 mL). Rapidly remove The mouse brain processed for paraffin embedding or frozen sections.

##### Modeling Record

Electroencephalogram (EEG) recording: Had higher local maximal amplitude and reduced spike frequency compared to the control group.

Histology analysis: Showed Triangulated pyknotic nuclei and cytoplasmic shrinkage in the hippocampal neuron, and induced neuronal loss.

##### Correlated Product(s):

Sitagliptin (HY-13749)

#### 2. Induction of epilepsy model<sup>[6]</sup>

##### Background

Kainic acid can bind to NMDA receptors which are abundant in neurons in the cornu ammonis of the hippocampus, amygdala, and pyriform cortex, and leading to variable levels of neuronal death in these regions.

##### Specific Modeling Methods

Rat: Sprague-Dawley rats • male

Administration: 10 mg/kg • i.p. • a single dose

#### Note

- (1) Seizures occur approximately 45 min after injection, typically lasting 2-3 hr.
- (2) Kainic acid-treated animals may die during an acute period of intoxication, it's suggested to increase the number of animals per group.
- (3) 72 hours later, the rats are anesthetized and immediately perfused transcardially with 50 mL 0.9% saline followed by 500 mL 0.1 M neutral phosphate-buffered formaldehyde (4%). And remove the brain and postfixed at 4°C overnight in the same fixative and dehydrated, embedded in paraffin, and cut into serial 6- $\mu$ m-thick coronal sections at the level of the dorsal hippocampus.

#### Modeling Record

behavioral changes: Exhibited immobility and rigid postures firstly, followed by repetitive head nodding, 'wet dog shakes', and subsequent rearing and falling. Eventually, the rats developed generalized tonic-clonic seizures with continuous convulsions, lasting for several hours.

Histology analysis: Resulted in a loss of pyramidal neurons in fields CA1 and CA3 of the hippocampus.

Increased the size, arborization, and stainability of GFAP-immunoreactive cells.

#### Correlated Product(s):

Melatonin (HY-B0075)

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

Animal Model:	8 weeks, 200-250 g male adult Wistar rats <sup>[1]</sup>
Dosage:	5 mg/kg
Administration:	I.p.; hourly at least 3 h until status epilepticus
Result:	Induced seizures in rats.

## CUSTOMER VALIDATION

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