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Product Name: α -Guanidinoglutaric Acid

Cat. No.: GC11323

Chemical Properties

Cas. No. 73477-53-9

Chemical Name N-(aminoiminomethyl)-L-glutamic acid

SMILES NC(=N)N[C@@H](CCC(=O)O)C(=O)O

Formula $C_6H_{11}N_3O_4$

M.Wt 189.2

Solubility ≤ 50 mg/ml in aqueous solutions

Storage Store at -20°C

General tips For obtaining a higher solubility, please warm the tube at 37°C and shake it in the ultrasonic bath for a while. Stock solution can be stored below -20°C for several months.

Shipping Condition Evaluation sample solution: ship with blue ice. All other available size: ship with RT, or blue ice upon request.

Structure

Background

α -Guanidinoglutaric Acid is a novel nitric oxide synthase inhibitor with K_i value of $2.69 \mu\text{M}$ [1].

In the brain, nitric oxide (NO), which is synthesized from L-arginine (Arg) by NO synthase (NOS), acts as both an intra- and an intercellular second messenger, and it may suppress convulsions [1].

α -Guanidinoglutaric Acid (GGA) is a novel nitric oxide synthase inhibitor. GGA was increased in the cobalt-induced epileptic focus tissue in the cerebral cortex of cats [2]. GGA is an endogenous, potent, and non-guanidino nitrogen-substituted NOS inhibitor and that inhibition of nitric oxide biosynthesis may be involved in GGA-induced convulsions. In the cobalt-induced epileptic focus, GGA might inhibit NO production. GGA is a useful tool for the study of the enzyme-substrate relationship of NOS [1].

In rats, GGA injected in the cerebroventricle caused sporadic spike discharges with a

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latency of several minutes. When Arg was supplemented with GGA, no sporadic spike discharges were observed. These results indicated that Arg elevated the threshold of GGA-induced seizures. The initiation of the seizures induced by GGA was associated with a decrease in the 5-hydroxytryptamine level [1].

References:

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