
Product Data Sheet

Product Name: Escitalopram

Cat. No.: GC13161

Chemical Properties

Cas. No. 128196-01-0

Chemical Name (1S)-1-[3-(dimethylamino)propyl]-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3H-2-benzofuran-5-carbonitrile

SMILES CN(C)CCCC1(C2=C(CO1)C=C(C=C2)C#N)C3=CC=C(C=C3)FFormula C₂₀H₂₁FN₂O

M.Wt 324.39

Solubility DMF: 25 mg/ml, DMSO: 33 mg/ml, DMSO:PBS (pH 7.2) (1:1): 0.5 mg/ml, Ethanol: 20 mg/ml
Store Storage at 2-8°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 **Protocol****Cell experiment [1]:**

Cell lines Rat B104, human SH-SY5Y, IMR32 and Kelly neuroblastoma cell lines

Preparation Method Neuroblastoma cells were exposed to increasing concentrations of Escitalopram (25–175 μM). Cell viability was assessed by the neutral red assay.

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Reaction Conditions 25–175 μ M; 24h

Applications

Escitalopram showed a concentration-dependent cytotoxicity on all neuroblastoma cell lines, with IMR32 being the most sensitive. Escitalopram significantly down-regulated the expression of MYBL2, BIRC5 and BARD1 poor prognosis factors of neuroblastoma.

Animal experiment [2]:

Animal models

SCID mice

Preparation Method

Xenografted tumors were generated by subcutaneously injecting 5×10^6 Huh-7 cells into SCID mice. When the tumor volume was approximately 20mm³, the mice were treated daily with PBS, 2.5mg/kg Escitalopram and 12.5mg/kg Escitalopram through oral gavage.

Dosage form

2.5 or 12.5mg/kg; oral gavage; daily for 7day

Applications

Escitalopram (12.5mg/kg) significantly attenuated the growth of xenografted Huh-7 cells, resulting in a significantly smaller mean tumor volume compared to PBS-treated mice.

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Background

Escitalopram is a highly selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor ($K_i=0.89\text{nM}$). Escitalopram increases serotonin concentration in the central nervous system by highly selectively inhibiting the serotonin transporter, while exhibiting weak effects on norepinephrine and dopamine reuptake. Escitalopram can be used in research related to depression, panic disorder, generalized anxiety disorder, and obsessive-compulsive disorder^[1-4].

In vitro, HEK293/tau441 cells pre-incubated with Forskolin ($4\mu\text{M}$) for 2 hours were treated with Escitalopram ($20\text{--}80\mu\text{M}$) for 22 hours. Escitalopram significantly alleviated tau hyperphosphorylation at Ser214 and Ser198/199/202 sites, while increasing the levels of serine-9-phosphorylated GSK-3 β and Ser473-phosphorylated Akt^[5]. Rat B104, human SH-SY5Y, IMR32, and Kelly neuroblastoma cell lines were treated with Escitalopram ($25\text{--}175\mu\text{M}$). Escitalopram significantly reduced cell viability and down-regulated the expression of poor prognosis factors for neuroblastoma, including MYBL2, BIRC5, and BARD1^[6].

In vivo, SCID mice bearing Huh-7 cell xenograft tumors were orally administered Escitalopram (12.5mg/kg) once daily for 4 weeks. Escitalopram significantly reduced tumor volume^[7]. Obsessive-compulsive disorder model Wistar rats were intraperitoneally injected with Escitalopram (10mg/kg/day) once daily for 7 days.

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Escitalopram significantly increased GDNF and BDNF levels in serum and brain tissues, as well as brain 5-HT content^[8].

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