
Product Data Sheet

Product Name: (-)-Stepholidine

Cat. No.: GC14252

Chemical Properties

Cas. No. 16562-13-3

Chemical Name 3,9-dimethoxy-6,8,13,13a-tetrahydro-5H-isoquinolino[3,2-a]isoquinoline-2,10-diol

SMILES COC1=C(O)C=C2C3CC4=C(C(OC)=C(O)C=C4)CN3CCC2=C1

Formula $C_{19}H_{21}NO_4$

M.Wt 327.37

Solubility 1.1mg/mL in ethanol, 5mg/mL in DMSO, or in DMF 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

(-)-Stepholidine is a dopamine receptor antagonist and a partial agonist of the serotonin (5-HT) receptor subtype 5-HT_{1A}. [1],[2],[3] (-)-Stepholidine binds to dopamine D₁, D₂, D₃, D₄, and D₅ receptors ($K_{is} = 5.1, 11.6, 24, 1,450, \text{ and } 5.8 \text{ nM}$, respectively) as well as 5-HT_{1A}, 5-HT_{2B}, α_2C -adrenergic receptors (α_2C -ARs), and sigma-2 (σ_2) receptors in a radioligand binding assay ($K_{is} = 143, 226, 215, \text{ and } 53 \text{ nM}$, respectively). [1] It inhibits dopamine-induced cAMP accumulation in HEK293 cells expressing dopamine D₁, D₂, and D₅ receptors with IC₅₀ values of 20.5, 128, and 27 nM, respectively. (-)-Stepholidine inhibits forskolin-induced cAMP production in CHO cells expressing rat 5-HT_{1A} receptors ($EC_{50} = 1.2 \mu\text{M}$). [2] In vivo, (-)-stepholidine (1 mg/kg, i.v.) increases dopamine neuron firing rates, the number of spikes in bursts, and the amplitude of slow oscillations by 20, 155, and 126%, respectively, in the rat ventral tegmental area (VTA), effects that can be blocked by the 5-HT_{1A} antagonist WAY-100635. [3] Pretreatment with (-)-stepholidine inhibits amphetamine- and phencyclidine-induced locomotor activity in rats ($ED_{50s} = 2.4 \text{ and } 6.5 \text{ mg/kg}$, respectively). [4]

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