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Product Name: Concanavalin A

Cat. No.: GC18572

**Chemical Properties**

Cas. No. 11028-71-0

Formula M.Wt

Solubility Soluble in water 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 **Protocol****Cell experiment [1]:**

Cell lines CD8+ CTL

Preparation Method Cells were cultured in the RPMI 1640 medium supplemented with 10% (v/v) FCS and 5% (v/v) culture supernatant of rat spleen cells.

Reaction Conditions Cells were stimulated with 5 µg/ml of concanavalin A for 24 h.

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### Applications

Concanavalin A treatment could preferentially decrease the cell viability of CD8+ population prepared from the immunized mice. A certain group(s) of CD8+ population in the immunized mice might be highly susceptible to concanavalin A. The activation through T cell receptors, especially PKC activation, increases the sensitivity of CD8++ CTL to concanavalin A.

### References:

[1]. Kenichi T. et al.  
Concanamycin A, a vacuolar type H<sup>+</sup>-ATPase inhibitor, induces cell death in activated CD8+ CTL. Cytotechnology 1997 July; 25: 127-135.

### Background

Concanavalin A belongs to the concanamycins, a family of macrolide antibiotics isolated from *Streptomyces diastatochromogenes* that are highly active and selective inhibitors of the vacuolar proton-ATPase (v-[H<sup>+</sup>]<sub>v</sub>ATPase). Among them, Concanavalin A is the most selective and potent inhibitor of the V-[H<sup>+</sup>]<sub>v</sub>ATPase.[1]

In vitro study indicated that Concanavalin A was active at 5 nM and completely blocked influenza virus infection at 10 nM in MDCK cells. Results showed that concanamycin A blocked viral replication by inhibiting the v-[H<sup>+</sup>]<sub>v</sub>ATPase, thus preventing acidification of endosomes and release of virions into the cytoplasm. An early event in virus infection is the target of concanamycin A. In addition, the inhibition of the v-[H<sup>+</sup>]<sub>v</sub>ATPase by concanamycin A prevents endosomal acidification, inhibiting virus release from endosomes.[1]

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[1].Rosario G. et al. Concanavalin A blocks influenza virus entry into cells under acidic conditions. FEBS Letters 1994 June; 349; 327-330.

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