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Product Name: Protirelin (Synthetic thyrotropin-releasing factor)

Cat. No.: GC30588

**Chemical Properties**

Cas. No. 24305-27-9

SMILES {pGlu}-His-Pro-NH<sub>2</sub>Formula C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>22</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub> M.Wt 362.38

Solubility DMF: 30 mg/ml, DMSO: 30 mg/ml, Ethanol: 30 mg/ml, PBS (pH 7.2): 10 mg/ml 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**

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### Animal experiment:

Rats[2]Ninety male Wistar rats weighing 200-250 g are subjected to the study. In the first experiment, 50 rats are divided into five groups randomly. Four doses of Protirelin dissolved in physiological saline, i. e., 1 mg/kg, 5mg/kg, 10 mg/kg and 20 mg/kg, are administered intraperitoneally to the four groups and saline to the remaining control group. Rectal temperature is measured at the place 5 cm inner from the anus with the electronic thermister before and after treatment with Protirelin or saline. In the second experiment, 40 rats are thyroidectomized or sham-operated under the anesthesia by thiopental sodium. Ten days after the operation, 20 mg/kg of Protirelin or saline is administered to the thyroidectomized and sham-operated animals by i. p. and rectal temperature is measured using the same method as used in the first experiment. These two experiments are undertaken from 1 p, m, to 4 p. m. and the room temperature is kept at  $24\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$  through the experiments including the breeding period. For a statistical analysis, Student's t test (two-tailed) is adopted.

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### Background

Thyrotropin-releasing Hormone (TRH) is a tropic hormone that stimulates release of thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH) and prolactin.<sup>1</sup> It binds to the human TRH receptor (TRHR) expressed in CHO cells and to rat TRHR in rat brain membranes (IC<sub>50</sub>s = 25 and 198 nM, respectively).<sup>2,3</sup> TRH (1 μM) decreases polyphosphoinositide and increases arachidonic and oleic acid diacylglycerol incorporation into lipids of GH3 rat pituitary

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tumor cells.<sup>4</sup> *In vitro*, it dose-dependently increases TSH release from rat anterior pituitary slices and prolactin release from cultured anterior pituitary cells.<sup>5,6</sup> *In vivo*, TRH (0.01 mg/kg) increases TSH and prolactin plasma levels in rats.<sup>1</sup>

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