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Product Name: KU-32  
Cat. No.: GC31118

**Chemical Properties**

Cas. No. 956498-70-7

SMILES CC1=C(O2)C(C=C(NC(C)=O)C2=O)=CC=C1O[C@H]3[C@@H]([C@@H]([C@@H](OC)C(C)(C)O3)O)O

Formula C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>8</sub> M.Wt 407.41

Solubility Soluble in DMSO 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:**

Islets are placed into 96-well plates and subjected to a 8-point dose of KU-32 in either low (5 mM) or high (17.5 mM) glucose in DMEM : F12 media and incubated overnight at 37°C and 5% CO<sub>2</sub>. Twenty-four hours later, alamarBlue is added directly to each well to achieve a final concentration of 10% alamarBlue. Readings on a microplate reader are collected 4, 24, and 48 hours later[1].

**Animal experiment:**

Male and female lepr mice are used. At 10 weeks of age, animals are given once per week intraperitoneal injection of 5% Captisol or 20 mg/kg KU-32 in 5% Captisol. At termination of the study, blood from each animal is collected[1].

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### References:

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[2]. Urban MJ, et al. Inhibiting heat-shock protein 90 reverses sensory hypoalgesia in diabetic mice. *ASN Neuro.* 2010 Aug 11;2(4):e00040.

### Background

KU-32 is a novel, novobiocin-based Hsp90 inhibitor that can protect against neuronal cell death.

Treating human islets with KU-32 for 24 hours shows no toxicity. With a minimum of 2-day exposure, KU-32 improves cellular viability by blocking apoptosis. Functionally, isolated human islets release more glucose-stimulated insulin when preincubate in KU-32[1]. KU-32 protects against glucose-induced death of embryonic DRG (dorsal root ganglia) neurons cultured for 3 days in vitro[2].

Diabetic BKS-db/db mice, a model for type 2 diabetes, administered KU-32 for 10 weeks do not show any significant changes in blood glucose and insulin levels, despite having greater insulin staining/beta cell in the pancreas compared to untreated BKS db/db mice[1].

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