

## Chlorotoxin

Cat. No.:	HY-P0173A
CAS No.:	163515-35-3
Molecular Formula:	C <sub>158</sub> H <sub>249</sub> N <sub>53</sub> O <sub>47</sub> S <sub>11</sub>
Molecular Weight:	3995.71
Sequence:	Met-Cys-Met-Pro-Cys-Phe-Thr-Thr-Asp-His-Gln-Met-Ala-Arg-Lys-Cys-Asp-Asp-Cys-Cys-Gly-Gly-Lys-Gly-Arg-Gly-Lys-Cys-Tyr-Gly-Pro-Gln-Cys-Leu-Cys-Arg-NH <sub>2</sub> (Disulfide bridge: Cys2-Cys19, Cys5-Cys28, Cys16-Cys33, Cys20-Cys35)
Sequence Shortening:	MCMPCFTTDHQMARCDDCCGGKGRGKCYGPQCLCR-NH <sub>2</sub> (Disulfide bridge: Cys2-Cys19, Cys5-Cys28, Cys16-Cys33, Cys20-Cys35)
Target:	Chloride Channel
Pathway:	Membrane Transporter/Ion Channel
Storage:	Sealed storage, away from moisture Pure form    -80°C    2 years -20°C    1 year * In solvent : -80°C, 6 months; -20°C, 1 month (sealed storage, away from moisture)

## BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

Description	Chlorotoxin is a 36 amino-acid peptide from the venom of the Israeli scorpion <i>Leiurus quinquestriatus</i> with anticancer activity. Chlorotoxin is a chloride channel blocker.
IC <sub>50</sub> & Target	Target: Chloride Channel <sup>[1]</sup>
In Vitro	Chlorotoxin (Chlorotoxin) preferentially binds to tumor cells and has been harnessed to develop an imaging agent to help visualize tumors during surgical resection. In addition, chlorotoxin has potential as a vehicle to deliver anti-cancer drugs specifically to cancer cells. Chlorotoxin is shown to bind glioma cells, but is unable to bind normal rat astrocytes and Te671, a human rhabdomyosarcoma cell line. Chlorotoxin inhibits the migration of U251MG (glioma) cells, with an IC <sub>50</sub> of 600 nM <sup>[2]</sup> . Chlorotoxin binds to glioma cells is specific and involves high affinity (K <sub>d</sub> =4.2 nM) and low affinity (K <sub>d</sub> =660 nM) binding sites <sup>[3]</sup> . Small conductance chloride channels are shown to be potently blocked by Chlorotoxin. Chlorotoxin has been used as a general pharmacological tool to investigate the function of chloride channels <sup>[4]</sup> . MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.
In Vivo	Chlorotoxin shows insecticidal activity on insects and other invertebrates. After the administration of I-Chlorotoxin to tumor-bearing mice, the peptides accumulated within the tumor <sup>[2]</sup> . Chlorotoxin selectively accumulates in the brain of tumor-bearing mice with calculated brain: muscle ratios of 36.4% of injected dose/g (ID/g), as compared to 12.4% ID/g in control animals <sup>[3]</sup> . MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

## PROTOCOL

Animal Administration <sup>[3]</sup>	Mouse: At 24, 48, 72, and 96 h after tumor-bearing and control SCID mice are injected with <sup>125</sup> I-labeled Chlorotoxin, they are anesthetized and imaged. Both <sup>125</sup> I- and <sup>131</sup> I-labeled Chlorotoxin-injected animals and their control counterparts are killed
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at indicated time points for biodistribution studies<sup>[3]</sup>.

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## CUSTOMER VALIDATION

- Pain. 2021 Jun 1;162(6):1882-1896.

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