**Proteins** 

## **NAO**

Cat. No.: HY-151811 Molecular Formula:  $C_{30}H_{31}N_{3}O_{4}$ 497.58 Molecular Weight:

Target: **Opioid Receptor** 

Pathway: GPCR/G Protein; Neuronal Signaling

Storage: Please store the product under the recommended conditions in the Certificate of

Analysis.

## **BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY**

Description NAQ is a potent and selective  $\mu$  opioid receptor partial agonist, with a  $K_i$  of 0.55 nM. NAQ shows selectivity for Mu opioid receptor over the  $\delta$  receptor (K<sub>i</sub>=132.50 nM) and the  $\kappa$  receptor (K<sub>i</sub>=26.45 nM). NAQ can be used for the research of opioid withdrawal or dependence<sup>[1]</sup>.

IC<sub>50</sub> & Target μ Opioid Receptor/MOR к Opioid Receptor/KOR δ Opioid Receptor/DOR 0.55 nM (Ki) 26.45 nM (Ki) 132.50 nM (Ki)

In Vitro NAQ is a  $\mu$  opioid receptor (MOR) partial agonist, with an EC<sub>50</sub> of 4.36 nM in MOR-expressing CHO cell line<sup>[1]</sup>. NAQ (45 min) inhibits hERG with an IC50 of 220 nM in CHO-K1 cells stably transfected with human hERG cDNA<sup>[3]</sup>.

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In Vivo NAQ (a single s.c.) antagonizes the antinociceptive effects of Morphine in the mouse tail immersion test, with an AD<sub>50</sub> of 0.45

> NAQ (0.32-10 mg/kg; s.c.) produces weak intracranial self-stimulation (ICSS) facilitation in rats but more robust ICSS facilitation during and after Morphine treatment and also reverses Morphine withdrawal-associated depression of ICSS<sup>[2]</sup>.

Pharmacokinetics of NAQ in rats<sup>[3]</sup>

	<i>t</i> <sub>1/2</sub> (min)	V <sub>ss</sub> (L/kg)	CL(mL/min/kg)	AUC <sub>Inf</sub> (h⊠ng/mL)	T <sub>max</sub> (min)	C <sub>max</sub> (ng/mL)	F (%)
1 mg/kg IV	32.4	3.0	86	202	/	/	/
10 mg/kg PO	/	/	/	114	36	20	3

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