Neferine

**Cat. No.:** HY-N0441
**CAS No.:** 2292-16-2
**Molecular Formula:** C₃₈H₄₄N₂O₆
**Molecular Weight:** 624.77
**Target:** NF-κB; Autophagy; Apoptosis
**Pathway:** NF-κB; Autophagy; Apoptosis
**Storage:** 4°C, protect from light
* In solvent : -80°C, 6 months; -20°C, 1 month (protect from light)

### SOLVENT & SOLUBILITY

#### In Vitro

DMSO : 62 mg/mL (99.24 mM; Need ultrasonic)

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Preparing Stock Solutions

Please refer to the solubility information to select the appropriate solvent.

#### In Vivo

1. Add each solvent one by one: **10% DMSO >> 40% PEG300 >> 5% Tween-80 >> 45% saline**
   
   Solubility: ≥ 2.08 mg/mL (3.33 mM); Clear solution

2. Add each solvent one by one: **10% DMSO >> 90% corn oil**
   
   Solubility: ≥ 2.08 mg/mL (3.33 mM); Clear solution

### BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

**Description**

Neferine is a major bisbenzylisoquinoline alkaloid. Neferine strongly inhibits NF-κB activation.

**IC₅₀ & Target**

| p65 | Autophagy |

**In Vitro**

Neferine down regulates hypoxia induced NF-κB p65 nuclear translocation and COX-2 expressions[1]. Neferine reduces high-glucose-induced collagen production and inhibits TGF-β1-Smad, ERK and p38 MAPK signaling activation in cardiac fibroblasts. Cardiac fibroblasts (CFs) are cultured in HG medium with varying concentrations of Neferine (1, 2, or 5 μM). CCK-8 assays are carried out at different time points (24, 48, and 72 h). Compared with normal glucose (NG) and osmotic control (OC) treatments, High glucose (30 mM) treatment significantly increases the proliferation of CFs in a time-dependent manner (P<0.05). High glucose (HG)-induced CF proliferation is markedly attenuated by Neferine treatment at either 2 or 5 μM compared with vehicle treatment. However, 1 μM
Neferine does not inhibit HG-induced proliferation of CFs. Therefore, 2 and 5 μM Neferine are used in the remaining experiments[2].

**In Vivo**

Neferine treatment at both low-dose (60 mg/kg/day by gavage) and high-dose (120 mg/kg/day by gavage) reduces the increment of collagen I, III and TGF-β1 protein expression induced by hyperglycemia[2].

**PROTOCOL**

**Cell Assay** [2]

Cardiac fibroblasts (CFs) are isolated from neonatal mouse ventricular tissues. After starvation in serum-free medium for 24 h, CFs are incubated in DMEM containing 5.6 mM glucose (normal glucose; NG), 30 mM D-glucose (HG), 30 mM D-glucose plus 1 μM Neferine, 30 mM D-glucose plus 2 μM Neferine, 30 mM D-glucose plus 5 μM Neferine, and 5.6 mM glucose plus 27.5 mM mannose. Cells are harvested at 24 h, 48 h, and 72 h. Cell proliferation is measured with the Cell Counting Kit-8 (CCK-8) and the Cell-LightTM EdU assay[2]. MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

**Animal Administration** [2]

Mice[2]

Eight-week-old C57BL/6J male mice are used. Diabetes is induced by intraperitoneal injection of Streptozotocin dissolved in citrate buffer (pH 4.5) at 60 mg/kg body weight for five consecutive days. Control mice are injected with citrate buffer only. Whole blood glucose in mouse tail blood is detected with an Accu-Check Active glucometer. Mice with blood glucose concentrations higher than 18 mM are considered as diabetic animals and used in this study. The animals are randomly divided into four groups of eight animals each. Diabetic mice are divided into three groups: group 1, the diabetic control group (DM); group 2, which receive Neferine at a dose of 60 mg/kg/day (DM-NL); and group 3, which receive Neferine at a dose of 120 mg/kg/day (DM-NH). Neferine is administered twice per day by intragastric gavage for 12 weeks. Equivalent volumes of normal sodium are administered to the normal and DM control groups by gavage. Mice are anaesthetized and sacrificed at the end of the 12-week treatment[2]. MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

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**REFERENCES**


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