# **Celastrol**

## NF-κB inhibitor

Catalog # ant-cls http://www.invivogen.com/celastrol

# For research use only

Version # 17D24-MM

# PRODUCT INFORMATION

#### **Content:**

1 mg of celastrol

#### **Storage and stability:**

Celastrol is shipped at room temperature. Store as supplied at  $-20^{\circ}$ C in a tightly sealed vial.

#### **Quality control:**

- Purity: ≥95% (LC)
- The absence of bacterial contamination (e.g. lipoproteins and endotoxins) has been confirmed using HEK-Blue™ TLR2 and HEK-Blue™ TLR4 cells.
- The biological activity has been confirmed using cellular assays.

## **DESCRIPTION**

Celastrol, a quinone methide triterpene isolated from the Chinese medicinal plant *Tripterygium wilfordii*, is known for its antitumor and anti-inflammatory properties but its mode of action and spectrum of cellular targets are poorly understood. Celastrol was recently found to be a potent inhibitor of the heat-shock protein Hsp90 inducing the disruption of protein-protein interactions of Hsp90 and its co-chaperones<sup>1,2</sup>. Furthermore, it was shown to act as an effective inhibitor of the transcription factor NF- $\kappa$ B potentiating the apoptosis induced by TNF- $\alpha$  and chemotherapeutic agents and inhibiting invasion<sup>3</sup>.

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## **CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**CAS number:** 34157-83-0 **Formula:** C<sub>29</sub>H<sub>38</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Molecular weight: 450.6 g/mol

Solubility: 10 mg/ml DMSO Purity: >98%

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## **METHODS**

**Strucutre:** 

#### Preparation of stock solution (2.2 mM)

- 1. Add 1 ml of DMSO to 1 mg of celastrol.
- 2. Vortex until completely dissolved.
- 3. Prepare further dilutions using aqueous buffers.

<u>Note:</u> We do not recommend storing aqueous solutions of celastrol for more than one day.

Working concentration: 300 nM-10 μM

#### NF-κB inhibition:

To assess the role of NF- $\kappa$ B, pretreat cells, such as macrophages or HEK293 cells transfected with one or several TLR genes, for 1 hour with or without celastrol at 300 nM-10  $\mu$ M and then incubate at 37°C with the appropriate TLR ligand or an NF- $\kappa$ B inducer such as TNF- $\alpha$  for 18-24 hours. Detect NF- $\kappa$ B inhibition using the appropriate detection system.

## RELATED PRODUCTS

Product	Description	Cat. Code
Dexamethasone	NF-κB & MAPK inhibitor	tlrl-dex
Resveratrol	NF-κB & mTOR inhibitor	tlrl-resv
Triptolide	NF-κB inhibitor	ant-tpl



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