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Hypoxia-activated Pro-drug – TH-302

Chemical Name: (1-methyl-2-nitro-1H-imidazol-5-yl)methyl N,N-bis(2-bromoethyl)phosphordiamidate

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Molecular Weight:	449.04
Formula:	$C_9H_{16}FBr_2N_6O_4P$
Purity:	≥ 98%
CAS#:	918633-87-1
Solubility:	DMSO up to 50 mM
Storage	Powder: 4°C 1 year
	DMSO: 4°C 3 month
	-20°C 1 year

Biological Activity:

TH-302 is a highly potent and selective hypoxia-activated pro-drug targeting hypoxic regions of solid tumors with an IC $_{50}$ of 19 nM. It is stable to liver microsomes. However, under hypoxic conditions, it is selectively and irreversibly converted to its active phosphoramidate-based, DNA-crosslinking, bis-alkylator. TH-302 inhibits H460 cells and HT29 cells with IC $_{90}$ of 0.1 μ M and 0.2 μ M, respectively. It shows much enhanced potency in H460 spheroids compared to H460 monolayer cells under normoxia. TH-302 exhibits potent cytotoxicity to both human and murine MM cells with hypoxic selectivity and dose dependency, and induces G0/G1 cell-cycle arrest under hypoxic conditions. It inhibits primary tumor growth in multiple xenograft models. TH-302 is currently in a phase II clinical trial for the treatment of soft tissue sarcoma.

How to Use:

In vitro: TH-302 was used at 1 μM concentration in vitro and cellular assays.

In vivo: TH-302 was intraperitoneally (IP) dosed to mice at 50 mg/kg once per day to inhibit tumor growth.

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