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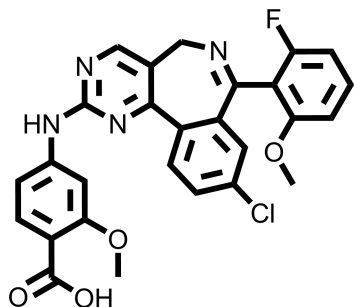
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Aurora A inhibitor – MLN8237 (Alisertib)

Chemical Name: 4-((9-chloro-7-(2-fluoro-6-methoxyphenyl)-5H-benzo[c]pyrimido[4,5-e]azepin-2-yl)amino)-2-methoxybenzoic acid



Molecular Weight:	518.92
Formula:	C ₂₇ H ₂₀ ClFN ₄ O ₄
Purity:	≥ 98%
CAS#:	1028486-01-2
Solubility:	DMSO up to 25 mM
Storage	Powder: 4°C 1 year DMSO: 4°C 3 month -20°C 1 year

Biological Activity:

MLN8237 (Alisertib) is a highly potent and selective Aurora A inhibitor with an IC₅₀ of 1.2 nM, >200-fold selective towards structurally related Aurora B (IC₅₀ of 396.5 nM). It does not have any significant activity against 205 other kinases. MLN8237 treatment inhibits the phosphorylation of Aurora A in MM1.S and OPM1 cells, without affecting the Aurora B mediated histone H3 phosphorylation. MLN8237 significantly inhibits cell proliferation in multiple myeloma (MM) cell lines with IC₅₀ values of 0.003-1.71 μM. MLN8237 treatment also causes the inhibition of colony formation of FLO-1, OE19, and OE33 esophageal adenocarcinoma cell lines, and induces a significant increase in the percentage of polyploid cells, and subsequently an increase in the percentage of cells in the sub-G1 phase, which can be further enhanced in combination with cisplatin (2.5 μM). In recent studies, MLN8237 induced polyploidization and expression of mature megakaryocyte markers in acute megakaryocytic leukemia (AMKL) blasts and displayed potent anti-AMKL activity in vivo. MLN8237 is currently in Phase II study for treatment of patients with ovarian, fallopian tube, or peritoneal carcinoma.

How to Use:

In vitro: MLN8237 was used at 0.5-5 μM concentration in vitro and in cellular assays.

In vivo: MLN8237 was dosed to mice orally at 15-30 mg/kg once per day, or in combination with Cisplatin (2 mg/kg) to significantly enhance antitumor activity.

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