Neurotropic activity and safety of methylene-cycloalkylacetate (MCA) derivative 3-(3-allyl-2-methylenecyclohexyl) propanoic acid

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Sensory motor/neurological performance

The performance was weekly measured using several routine motor tests, but no neurological losses were observed (**Table 1**). Sensory motor tests were scored individually and according to the neurologic function severity score (NSS). The data from each individual test and the total score calculated from individual tests that make up the mNSS were measured. The following tests were used:

a. Beam balance test -mice were placed on a 2.5 cm wide beam for 60 seconds. A normal response is balance with steady posture for 60 seconds (a score of 0). Deficits are scored if the rat: 1. Grasps the side of the beam (score of 1); 2. Hugs the beam and one limb falls down from the beam (score of 2); 3. Hugs the beam and two limbs fall off the beam (score of 3); 4. Try to balance on the beam, but falls off from 60 seconds (score of 4); 5. Try to balance on the beam but falls off from 60 seconds (score of 5); 6. Falls off with no attempt to balance or hang on the beam in less than 20 seconds (score of 6).

<u>b. Foot fault test</u>- dysfunction of forelimb movement, while walking on elevated metal grids. The animal was placed on horizontal grids ($85 \times 26 \times 20$) cm with a glass enclosure for observation. With each weight bearing step, the forelimb can fall or slip between the metal support bars, an event recorded as a foot fault. The total number of forelimb steps and the total number of foot faults were counted. The percentage of forelimb foot faults to the total steps that occurred within 2 minutes represent the test results.

<u>c. Hind limb placing test</u>- This assay monitors reposition of hind limbs placed down and away from the table edge. The ability to retrieve and place the hind limbs back onto the table was measured. Immediate and complete limb retrieval was scored 0, delayed (>2 seconds) limb retrieval and/or interspersed flailing was scored 1, and no limb retrieval was scored 2;

d. Increasing platform angle to slide test- This assay measures the strength and stability of resistance to slide down an inclined platform. It deploys a clean wooden board (60 X 40 cm) positioned horizontally. Mice were placed on the board with head facing up the increasing incline. The board then swings to increase the degree of inclination the rat experiences until slipping down the board feet first. The degree of the angle at which the rat relinquishes their grip/stance on the board (slips down) represents the test results;

<u>e. Forelimb whole body suspension test-</u> This assay measures grip strength by duration of suspension by forepaws. The rat is suspended on a metal bar (diameter of 5 mm) which it tightly holds onto by its forelimbs. The time (seconds) during which each rat could sustain its body weight while holding onto the bar is measured. The mice drop from the bar onto soft material with no harm. The test was repeated three times and a mean result per rat was used as the score.

<u>Cumulatively these sensory motor/neurological findings indicate acute tolerability of 250 mg/kg</u> <u>HU-MCA-13 iv injection in Male C57BL/6 mice</u>

Table 1- Summary of sensory motor/neurological-neurobehavioral tests results for each individual animal in the 7 day study					
DM SO	HU-MCA-13				

NSS										
	Day 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Day 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Day 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Foot fault (%)										
	Day 0	0/24	0/33	0/30	0/34	0/41	0/38	1/48		
	Day 1	0/52	0/59	0/67	0/20	0/15	0/34	0/14		
	Day 5	0/48	0/54	0/33	2/50	1/47	0/48	0/36		
Hind limb										
	Day 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Day 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Day 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Beam balance										
	Day 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Day 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	Day 5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Self-suspension time (seconds)										
	Day 0	10	7	8	8	10	9	10		
	Day 1	8	14	10	14	12	15	12		
	Day 5	9	14	13	13	13	15	14		
Angle of increase (degrees)										
	Day 0	35	35	35	35	35	35	35		
	Day 1	35	35	35	35	35	35	35		
	Day 5	35	35	35	35	35	35	35		

DiscoverX's SAFETY scan methods and individual target results

GPCR-induced cAMP modulation

cAMP Hunter cell lines were expanded from freezer stocks according to standard procedures. The cells were seeded in a total volume of 20 µl into 384-well microplates and incubated at 37 °C for the appropriate time, prior to testing. cAMP modulation was determined using the DiscoverX HitHunter cAMP XS+ assay (https://www.discoverx.com/products-applications/camp-assays). For Gs agonist determination, cells were incubated with sample to induce the response. For Gi agonist determination, cells were incubated with sample in the presence of EC₈₀ forskolin to induce the response. Media was aspirated from cells and replaced with 15 µl 2:1 HBSS/10 mM Hepes : cAMP XS+ Ab reagent. Intermediate dilution of sample stocks was performed to generate 4X sample in assay buffer. 4. 5 µl of 4X sample was added to cells and incubated at 37 °C or room temperature for 30 or 60 minutes. Final assay vehicle concentration was 1%. For antagonist determination, cells were pre-incubated with sample followed by agonist challenge at the EC₈₀ concentration. Media was aspirated from cells and replaced with 10 µl 1:1 HBSS/Hepes: cAMP XS+ Ab reagent. 3. 5 µl of 4X compound was added to the cells and incubated at 37 ° C or room temperature for 30 minutes. 4. 5 µl of 4X EC₈₀ agonist was added to cells and incubated at 37°C or room temperature for 30 or 60 minutes. For Gi coupled GPCRs, EC₈₀ forskolin was included. After appropriate compound incubation, assay signal was generated through incubation with 20 µl cAMP XS+ ED/CL lysis cocktail for one hour followed by incubation with 20 µl cAMP XS+ EA reagent for three hours at room temperature. Microplates were read following signal generation with a PerkinElmer Envision[™] instrument for chemiluminescent signal detection. Compound activity was analyzed using CBIS data analysis suite (ChemInnovation, CA).

For Gs agonist mode assays, percentage activity was calculated using the following formula:

% Activity =100% x (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean RLU of MAX control - mean RLU of vehicle control).

For Gs antagonist mode assays, percentage inhibition was calculated using the following formula: % Inhibition =100% x (1 - (mean RLU of test sample – mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean RLU of EC₈₀ control – mean RLU of vehicle control).

For Gi agonist mode assays, percentage activity was calculated using the following formula:

% Activity = 100% x (1 - (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of MAX control) / (mean RLU of vehicle control - mean RLU of MAX control).

For Gi antagonist or negative allosteric mode assays, percentage inhibition was calculated using the following formula:

% Inhibition = 100% x (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of EC_{80} control) / (mean RLU of forskolin positive control - mean RLU of EC_{80} control).

For primary screens, percent response was capped at 0% or 100% where calculated percent response returned a negative value or a value greater than 100, respectively.

GPCR-induced Calcium Mobilization

Cell lines were expanded from freezer stocks according to standard procedures. Cells (10,000 cells/well) were seeded in a total volume of 50 µl (200 cells/ µl) into black-walled, clear-bottom, Poly-D-lysine coated 384-well microplates and incubated at 37 °C for the appropriate time prior to testing. DMSO concentration for all readouts was 0.2%. The assays were performed in 1X Dye Loading Buffer consisting of 1X Dye (DiscoverX, Calcium No WashPLUS kit, Catalog No.90-0091), 1X Additive A and 2.5 mM fresh Probenecid in HBSS / 20 mM Hepes. The cells were loaded with dye prior to testing. Media was aspirated from cells and replaced with 25 µl Dye Loading Buffer. Thereafter, the cells were incubated for 45 minutes at 37 °C followed by 20 minutes at room temperature. For agonist determination, cells were incubated with sample to induce the response. After dye loading, the cells were removed from the incubator and 25 µl of 2X compound in HBSS / 20 mM Hepes was added using a FLIPR Tetra (MDS). Compound agonist activity was measured on a FLIPR Tetra. Calcium mobilization was monitored for 2 minutes with a 5 second baseline read. For antagonist determination, cells were pre-incubated with sample followed by agonist challenge at the EC_{80} concentration. After dye loading, the cells were removed from the incubator and 25 µl 2X sample was added. Cells were incubated for 30 minutes at room temperature in the dark to equilibrate plate temperature. After incubation, antagonist determination was initiated with addition of 25 µl 1X compound with 3X EC₈₀ agonist using FLIPR. Compound antagonist activity was measured on a FLIPR Tetra (MDS). Calcium mobilization was monitored for 2 minutes with a 5 second baseline read. FLIPR read - area under the curve was calculated for the entire two minute read. Compound activity was analyzed using CBIS data analysis suite (ChemInnovation, CA).

<u>For agonist mode assays</u>, percentage activity was calculated using the following formula: % Activity =100% x (mean RFU of test sample - mean RFU of vehicle control) / (mean MAX RFU control ligand - mean RFU of vehicle control).

For antagonist mode assays, percentage inhibition was calculated using the following formula:

% Inhibition =100% x (1 - (mean RFU of test sample – mean RFU of vehicle control) / (mean RFU of EC_{80} control – mean RFU of vehicle control).

For Primary screens, percent response was capped at 0% or 100% where calculated percent response returned a negative value or a value greater than 100, respectively.

Nuclear Hormone Receptor Assay

For this assay, (https://www.discoverx.com/products-applications/assay-ready-kits/pathhunternhr-assay-ready-express-kits) DiscoverX PathHunter NHR cell lines were expanded from freezer stocks according to standard procedures. The cells were seeded in a total volume of 20 µl into white walled, 384-well microplates and incubated at 37 °C for the appropriate time prior to testing. Assay media contained charcoal-dextran filtered serum to reduce the level of hormones present. For agonist determination, cells were incubated with sample to induce the response. Intermediate dilution of sample stocks was performed to generate 5X sample in assay buffer. 3. 5 µl of 5X sample was added to cells and incubated at 37 °C or room temperature for 3-16 hours. Final assay vehicle concentration was 1%. For antagonist determination, cells were pre-incubated with antagonist followed by agonist challenge at the EC₈₀ concentration. Intermediate dilution of sample stocks was performed to generate 5X sample in assay buffer. 3. 5 µl of 5X sample was added to cells and incubated at 37 °C or room temperature for 60 minutes. Vehicle concentration was 1%. 4. 5 µl of 6X EC₈₀ agonist in assay buffer was added to the cells and incubated at 37 °C or room temperature for 3-16 hours. Assay signal was generated through a single addition of 12.5 or 15 µl (50% v/v) of PathHunter Detection reagent cocktail, followed by a one-hour incubation at room temperature. Microplates were read following signal generation with a PerkinElmer Envision[™] instrument for chemiluminescent signal detection. Compound activity was analyzed using CBIS data analysis suite (ChemInnovation, CA).

For agonist mode assays, percentage activity was calculated using the following formula:

% Activity =100% x (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean MAX control ligand - mean RLU of vehicle control).

For antagonist mode assays, percentage inhibition was calculated using the following formula:

% Inhibition =100% x (1 - (mean RLU of test sample – mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean RLU of EC_{80} control – mean RLU of vehicle control).

Note that for select assays, the ligand response produces an decrease in receptor activity (inverse agonist with a constitutively active target). For those assays <u>inverse agonist activity</u> was calculated using the following formula:

% Inverse Agonist Activity =100% x (mean RLU of vehicle control - mean RLU of test sample) / (mean RLU of vehicle control- mean RLU of MAX control).

For Primary screens, percent response was capped at 0% or 100% where calculated percent response returned a negative value or a value greater than 100, respectively.

KINOMEscan binding assay

Kinase-tagged T7 phage strains were grown in parallel in 24-well blocks in an E. coli host derived from the BL21 strain. E. coli were grown to log-phase and infected with T7 phage from a frozen stock (multiplicity of infection = 0.4) and incubated with shaking at 32 °C until lysis (90-150 minutes). The lysates were centrifuged (6,000 xg) and filtered $(0.2 \mu \text{m})$ to remove cell debris. The kinases were produced in HEK-293 cells and subsequently tagged with DNA for qPCR detection. Capture Ligand Production Streptavidin-coated magnetic beads were treated with biotinylated small molecule ligands for 30 minutes at room temperature to generate affinity resins for kinase assays. The liganded beads were blocked with excess biotin and washed with blocking buffer [SeaBlock (Pierce-Thermo Fisher Scientific, Waltham, MA, USA), 1% BSA, 0.05% Tween 20, 1 mM DTT] to remove unbound ligand and to reduce non-specific phage binding. Binding reactions were assembled by combining kinases, ligand- affinity beads, and test compounds in 1X binding buffer (20% SeaBlock, 0.17X PBS, 0.05% Tween 20, 6 mM DTT). All reactions were performed in polypropylene 384-well plates in a final volume of 0.02 ml. The assay plates were incubated at room temperature with shaking for 1 hour and the affinity beads were washed with wash buffer (1x PBS, 0.05% Tween 20). The beads were then re-suspended in elution buffer (1x PBS, 0.05% Tween 20, 0.5 µM non-biotinylated affinity ligand) and incubated at room temperature with shaking for 30 minutes. The kinase concentration in the eluates was measured by qPCR. The kinase concentration in the eluates was measured by qPCR. qPCR reactions were assembled by adding 2.5 µL of kinase eluate to 7.5 µl of qPCR master mix containing 0.15 µM amplicon primers and 0.15 μ M amplicon probe. The qPCR protocol consisted of a 10-minute hot start at 95 °C, followed by 35 cycles of 95 °C for 15 seconds, 60 °C for 1 minute. Data Analysis: (Percent Response Calculation equal (HU-MCA13 signal – positive control signal/DMSO signal – positive control signal) × 100; Percent of Control was converted to Percent Response using the formula: Percent Response = (100 - Percent Control). For Primary screens, percent response was capped at 0% or 100% where calculated percent response returned a negative value or a value greater than 100, respectively. Binding constants (Kds) were calculated with a standard dose-response curve using the Hill equation: Response = Background+ Signal – Background 1 + (Kd Hill Slope/Dose Hill Slope). The Hill Slope was set to -1. Curves were fitted using a non-linear least square fit with the Levenberg-Marquardt algorithm.

Ion channel assays

Cell lines were expanded from freezer stocks according to standard procedures. The cells were plated in a total volume of 20 μ L into black-walled, clear-bottom, Poly-D-lysine coated 384-well microplates and incubated at 37 °C for the appropriate time prior to testing. The assay was performed in 1X Dye Loading Buffer consisting of 1X Dye, and 2.5 mM freshly prepared Probenecid when applicable. The cells were incubated for 30-60 minutes at 37 °C. For agonist determination, the cells were incubated with sample to induce response. Intermediate dilution of sample stocks was performed to generate 2 - 5X sample in assay buffer. 10-25 μ L of 2 - 5X sample was added to cells and incubated at 37 °C or room temperature for 30 minutes. Final assay vehicle concentration was 1%. For antagonist determination, cells were pre-incubated with the sample. After dye loading, the cells were removed from the incubator and 10 - 25 μ L 2 - 5X sample was added to cells in the presence of EC₈₀ agonist when appropriate. Cells were incubated for 30 minutes at room temperature in the dark to equilibrate plate temperature. Vehicle concentration was 1%. Compound activity was measured on a FLIPR Tetra (MDS). Compound activity was analyzed using CBIS data analysis suite (ChemInnovation, CA).

<u>For agonist</u> mode assays, percentage activity was calculated using the following formula: Activity (%) =100% x (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean MAX control ligand - mean RLU of vehicle control).

<u>For antagonist</u> percentage inhibition was calculated using the following formula: Inhibition (%) =100% x [1 - (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean RLU of EC₈₀ control - mean RLU of vehicle control)]. For Primary screens, percent response was capped at 0% or 100% where calculated percent response returned a negative value or a value greater than 100, respectively.

Transporter assays

The cell lines were expanded from freezer stocks according to standard procedures. Cells were plated in a total volume of 25 μ L into black-walled, clear-bottom, Poly-D-lysine coated 384-well microplates and incubated at 37 °C for the appropriate time prior to testing. After cell plating and incubation, media was removed and 25 μ L of 1X compound in 1X HBSS/0.1% BAS was added. Compounds were incubated with cells at 37 °C for 30 minutes. Assays were performed in 1X Dye Loading Buffer consisting of 1X Dye, 1X HBSS / 20 mM Hepes. After compound incubation, 25 μ L of 1X dye was added to wells. Thereafter the cells were incubated for 30-60 minutes at 37 °C. After dye incubation, microplates were transferred to a PerkinElmer EnvisionTM instrument for fluorescence signal detection. Compound activity was analyzed using CBIS data analysis suite (ChemInnovation, CA, USA). For <u>blocker mode assays</u>, percentage inhibition was calculated using the following formula: Inhibition (%) =100% x [1 - (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean RLU of positive control - mean RLU of vehicle control)]. For Primary screens, percent response was capped at 0% or 100% where calculated percent response returned a negative value or a value greater than 100, respectively.

Enzymatic assays

Enzyme preparations were purchased from different companies: AChE (R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA), COX1 and COX2 (BPS Bioscience, San Diego, CA, USA), MAO-A (Sigma-Aldrich-Merck), PDE3A and PDE4D2 (Signal Chem, Richmond, BC, Canada). The enzymatic assays determined the enzymatic activity by measuring either the consumption of substrate or production of product over time. Different detection methods were used in each enzymatic assay to measure the concentrations of substrates and products: 1. AChE: enzyme and test compound were preincubated for 15 minutes at room temperature before substrate addition. Acetylthiocholine and DTNB were added and incubated at room temperature for 30 minutes.

Signal was detected by measuring absorbance at 405 nm. 2. COX1 & COX2: Enzyme stocks were diluted in the assay buffer (40 mM Tris-HCl, 1X PBS, 0.5 mM Phenol, 0.01% Tween-20 + 100 nM Hematin) and allowed to equilibrate with compounds at room temperature for 30 minutes (binding incubation). Arachidonic acid (1.7 μ M) and Ampliflu Red (2.5 μ M) were prepared and dispensed into a reaction plate. Plates were read immediately on a fluorimeter with the emission detection at 590 nm and excitation wavelength 544 nm. 3. MAO-A: Enzyme and test compound were preincubated for 15 minutes at 37 °C before substrate addition. The reaction was initiated by addition of kynuramine and incubated at 37°C for 30 minutes. The reaction was terminated by addition of NaOH. The amount of 4-hydroquioline formed was determined through spectrofluorimetric readout with the emission detection at 380 nm and excitation wavelength 310 nm. 4. PDE3A & PDE4D2: Enzyme and test compound were preincubated for 15 minutes at room temperature before substrate addition. cAMP substrate (at a concentration equal to EC₈₀) was added and incubated at room temperature for 30 minutes. Enzyme reaction was terminated by addition of 9 mM IBMX. Signal was detected using the HitHunter®cAMP detection kit. For each assay, microplates were transferred to a PerkinElmer Envision[™] instrument and readout as described. Compound activity was analyzed using CBIS data analysis suite (ChemInnovation, CA). For enzyme activity assays, percentage inhibition was calculated using the following formula: Inhibition (%) =100% x [1 - (mean RLU of test sample - mean RLU of vehicle control) / (mean RLU of positive control - mean RLU of vehicle control)]. For Primary screens, percent response was capped at 0% or 100% where calculated percent response returned a negative value or a value greater than 100, respectively.

Figure Sup. 1 - Individual target results - Screening of HU-MCA-13 dose-response in vitro, on selected GPCRs, ion channels, kinases, nuclear hormone receptors, enzymes and neurotransmitter transporters.

Data (mean of triplicates) shown was normalized to the maximal and minimal response observed in the presence of control reference ligand and DMSO vehicle respectively (y-axis) and is plotted against the corresponding HU-MCA-13 compound concentration (nM) in log scale (x-axis).





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MCA-13 safety by in vitro evaluation using PhosphoSens®CSoxbased kinase and phosphatase assays

Method: Kinase Activity Measurements

Kinase activity was measured continuously using the PhosphoSens®technology (AssayQuant Technologies Inc., Marlborough, MA) according to the manufacturers' recommendations (<u>http://www.assayquant.com/</u>). This one-step homogeneous assay uses chelation-enhanced fluorescence via optimized substrate sensors unique for each kinase, containing the unnatural fluorogenic amino-acid Sox.

Recombinant Kinases.

The following kinases which, upon stimulation or inhibition with small molecule modulators, induced neurite outgrowth, were obtained from different companies and were used in this study at the following concentrations: 2.0 nM TRKA, amino acids 442-796, BPS Bio (cat/lot # 40280/151113G)/ AQT0101 1.0 nM TRKB, amino acids 456-822, BPS Bio (cat. & lot #: 40281, 130826)/ AQT0101 1.0 nM TRKC, amino acids 456-825, BPS Bio (cat. & lot #: 40282/140205-G2)/ AQT0101 1.0 nM CDK5/p25, amino acids 1-292/99-307, Carna (cat. & lot #: 04-106/09CBS-0884K)/ AQT0255 5.0 nM ASK1, amino acids 1-1374, Invitrogen (cat. & lot #: PV3809/1965588C)/ AQT0557 20 nM BTN-DLK, amino acids 1-520, Carna (cat. & lot #: 09-411-20N, 11CBS-0859B)/ AOT0492 5.0 nM JNK3, amino acids 1-426, Carna (cat. & lot #: 04-150, 09CBS-0155G)/ AQT0371 2.5 nM ERK2, amino acids 1-360, Carna (cat. & lot #: 04-143/12CBS-0211N)/ AQT0490 5.0 nM p38α, amino acids 9-352, Carna (cat. & lot #: 04-152, 07CBS-0319H)/ AQT0376 5.0 nM nM PDGFRβ, amino acids 557-1106, Carna (cat. & lot #: 08-158, 08CBS-0282H)/ AQT0101 5.0 nM IKKβ, amino acids 1-756, Invitrogen (cat/lot # PV3836 / 1311416G)/ AQT0215 2.0 nM AKT1, amino acids 104-480, Carna (cat. & lot #: 01-101, 13CBS-0155F)/ AQT0569 0.50 nM GSK3β, amino acids 1-420, Carna (cat. & lot #: 04-141/13CBS-0346M)/ AQT0320 1.0 nM PKC_e, amino acids 1-737, Carna (cat. & lot #: 01-136/09CBS-0150E)/ AQT0462 1.0 nM PKC1, amino acids 1-587, Carna (cat. & lot #: 01-139, 09CBS-162F)/ AQT0462 1.0 nM PKACα, amino acids 1-351, Carna (cat. & lot #: 01-127/10CBS-0315N)/ AQT0458 2.5 nM KDR, amino acids 790-1356, Carna (cat. & lot #: 08-191, 13CBS-0442G)/ AQT00001 1.0 nM nM CK1δ, amino acids 1-294, Carna (cat. & lot #: 03-103, 09CBS-1197J)/ ST24; 5.0 nM EGFR, amino acids 668-1210, BPS Bio (cat. & lot #: 40187, 150312-G2)/ AQT0001 2.0 nM IGF1R, amino acids 959-1367, Carna (cat. & lot #: 08-141/07CBS-0753B)/ AQT0101 1.0 nM CAMK2α, amino acids 1-478, Carna (cat. & lot #: 02-109/11CBS-0288K)/ AQT0425 1.0 nM FGFR2, amino acids 399-821, Carna (cat. & lot #: 08-134/13CBS-0735G)/ AQT0001 1.0 nM FGFR1, amino acids 396-820, Carna (cat. & lot #: 08-133, 12CBS-0123L)/ AQT0001

Reaction Set Up

25 μ L final reaction volume including : 2.5 μ l Sox-based substrate (10x), 17.5 μ l reaction mix with ATP, 5.0 μ L Kinase [5x in EDB (Enzyme Dilution Buffer : 20 mM TRIS, pH 8.0, 0.01% Brij-35, 0.1 mM EGTA, 5% Glycerol, 1 mM DTT, 1 mg/mL Bovine Serum Albumin]. 5-45 min preincubation (all except EDB/kinase) at 30 °C of substrate in reaction mix and ATP ensuring that the progress kinetic curve for the background fluorescence was flat. Reaction was run at 30 °C for either 120 or 180 minutes.

Final Reaction Conditions.

Protein kinase activity was determined in 54 mM HEPES, pH 7.5 1 mM ATP 1.2 mM DTT (none in ASK1) 0.012% Brij-35 1% glycerol 0.2 mg/ml BSA 0.52 mM EGTA (none in assays of CAMK2α, PKCε, PKCι, Calcineurin A/B) 140 μM phosphatidylserine/3.8 μM diacylglycerol (PKCε, PKCι only) 5 ng/µl calmodulin/0.4 mM CaCl₂ (CAMK2α, Calcineurin A/B only) 10 mM MgCl₂ 15 µM Substrate (ST24, AQT0001, 101, 215, 255, 320, 371, 376, 425, 462, 458, 490, 492, 557, 569) 0.50-20 nM Kinase (TRKA, TRKB, TRKC, CDK5/p25, JNK3, ERK2, p38α, PDGFRβ, IKKβ, AKT1, GSK3β, PKCε, PKCι, PKACα, KDR, CK1δ, EGFR, ASK1, IGF1R, CAMK2α, DLK, FGFR2, FGFR1) in the presence or absence of 5 µM HU-MCA-13 test compound. All components except enzyme were equilibrated to 30 °C prior to setting up reactions run in Corning, 384-well, white flat round bottom polystyrene NBS microplates (Cat. #3824) after sealing using optically-clear adhesive film [TopSealA-Plus plate seal, PerkinElmer (Cat. #6050185)], applied with a roller to eliminate evaporation and resulting drift. Europium was added to a final concentration of 5 mM and the reaction was stopped by 2.5 µl M HCl for 15 minutes, followed by neutralization with 2.5 µl 1M NaOH for additional 15 minutes. Thereafter, the fluorescence intensity was kinetically read every 2 minutes from the top for up to 120 minutes at 30 °C, with excitation and emission wavelengths of 360 nm and 485 nm, respectively, using a Synergy Neo2

multi-mode plate reader (Biotek Instruments, Winooski, VT). Fluorescence, determined with identical reactions but lacking enzyme was subtracted from the total fluorescence signal for each time point, with both determined in duplicate, to obtain corrected relative fluorescence units (RFU). Corrected RFU values then were plotted versus time and the reaction velocity for the first ~40 minutes (initial reaction rates) were determined from the slope using GraphPad Prism (La Jolla, CA) with units of RFU/min.

Results





TRKA-C +/- 5µM MCA-13 Activator









Progress curves for kinases that inhibit neurite outgrowth



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