

Function and structure of a novel anti-diabetes agent from *Ganoderma Lucidum*

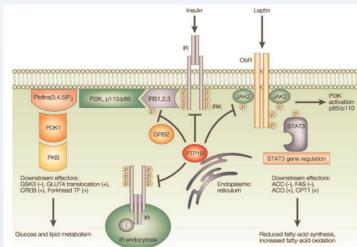
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INTRODUCTION

Insulin signaling pathway and PTP1B



Morris F White. Insulin signaling in health and disease. Science, 2003, 302 (5651):1710-1711

- Inhibition of protein tyrosine phosphatase 1B (PTP1B) activity has been considered as a promising therapy approach to treat type 2 diabetes.
- Protein tyrosine phosphatase 1B (PTP1B) have been implicated in the regulation of insulin signal transduction process
- PTP1B dephosphorylate the insulin receptor as well as the substrate proteins, controlling the insulin signaling pathway
- Overactivation of PTP1B inhibits the insulin receptor signaling cascade. Therefore, PTP1B is an insulin-sensitive drug target for anti-diabetes.

OBJECTIVE

In this work, a novel PTP1B activity inhibitor, named FYGL (Fudan-Yueyang-G. lucidum), was screened from the fruiting bodies of *Ganoderma lucidum*. The efficient PTP1B inhibitory potency, plasma glucose level in vivo, toxicity of FYGL, and structure of FYGL were studied.

RESULTS

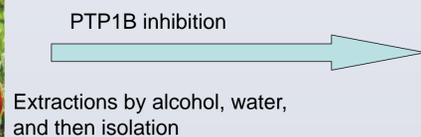
PTP1B inhibitor extracted from *G. lucidum*



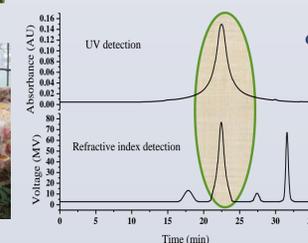
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Incubation plant



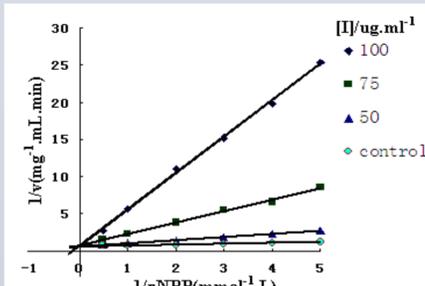
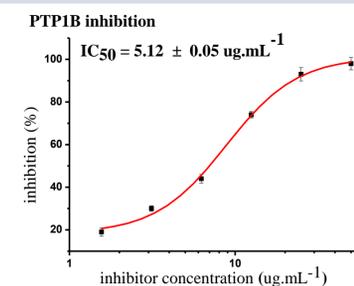
FYGL—
Fudan-Yueyang G. lucidum



Chinese patent (ZL201110142167.8), PCT (WO 2012/019479 1)

- Both UV and refraction index in GPC analysis demonstrated the contents of 90%, molecular weight $\sim 10^5$, and both protein and sugar present in FYGL.
- FYGL is water soluble macromolecule

PTP1B inhibition of FYGL in vitro

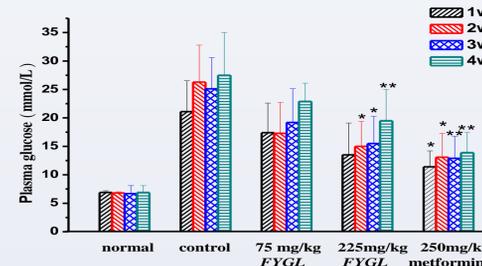


- PTP1B inhibition $IC_{50} = 5.12 \mu\text{g/mL}$
- Lineweaver--Burk plots indicated FYGL is a competitive inhibitor of PTP1B.

Bao-Song Teng, Ping Zhou,* et al. J. Agric. Food Chem. 2011, 59(12), 6492-6500.

RESULTS

Pharmacology Trials of FYGL in vivo



Plasma glucose level of db/db genetic type II diabetes mice

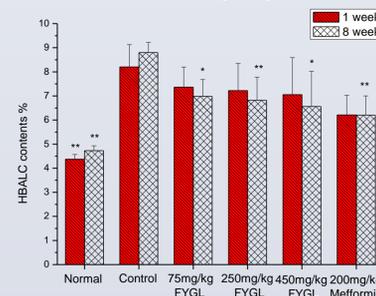
4 weeks	group	Fasting plasma glucose level (mmol/L)
	normal	6.9 ± 1.2**
control	28 ± 7	
FYGL 75 mg/kg	23 ± 3	
FYGL 225 mg/kg	18 ± 5**	
metformin 250mg/kg	14 ± 4**	

N = 7, *p < 0.05 vs. control, **p < 0.01 vs. control

- Taking FYGL orally for 4 weeks, the plasma glucose level was significantly decreased dose-dependently, compared with that of control.

Chendong Wang, Ping Zhou,* et al. Brit J Nutr, 2012, 108, 2014-2025.

Glycosylated hemoglobin (HbA1c) level of db/db mice



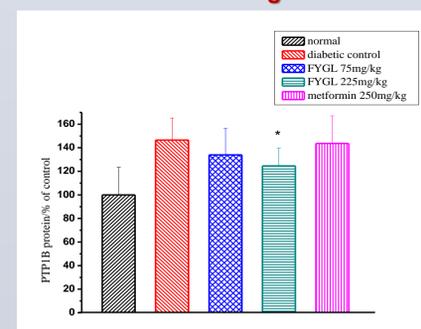
8 weeks	group	HbA1C %
	normal	4.4 ± 0.2**
control	8.4 ± 0.8	
FYGL (L) 75 mg/kg	7.2 ± 0.8*	
FYGL (M) 250 mg/kg	6.9 ± 0.8 **	
FYGL (H) 450 mg/kg	6.7 ± 1.4*	
metformin 200mg/kg	6.4 ± 0.3 **	

n = 8, *p < 0.05 vs. control, **p < 0.01 vs. control.

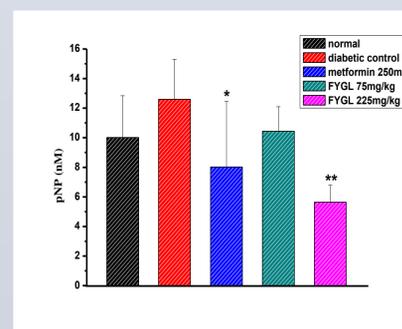
- HbA1c is considered a "golden index" indicating the plasma glucose level. After 8 weeks, HbA1c level was significantly decreased dose-dependently for the mice treated by FYGL and metformin.

Deng Pan, Ping Zhou,* et al. PLoS One, 2013, 8(7), e68332.

Mechanism of PTP1B target in vivo



PTP1B expression in skeletal muscle



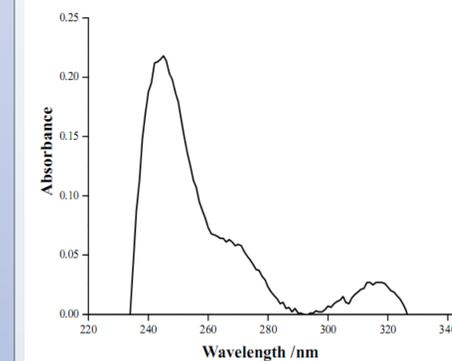
PTP1B activity in skeletal muscle

- Compared with control group, PTP1B expression and activity were inhibited dose-dependently in FYGL group, also indicating that the target of FYGL is PTP1B in vivo.

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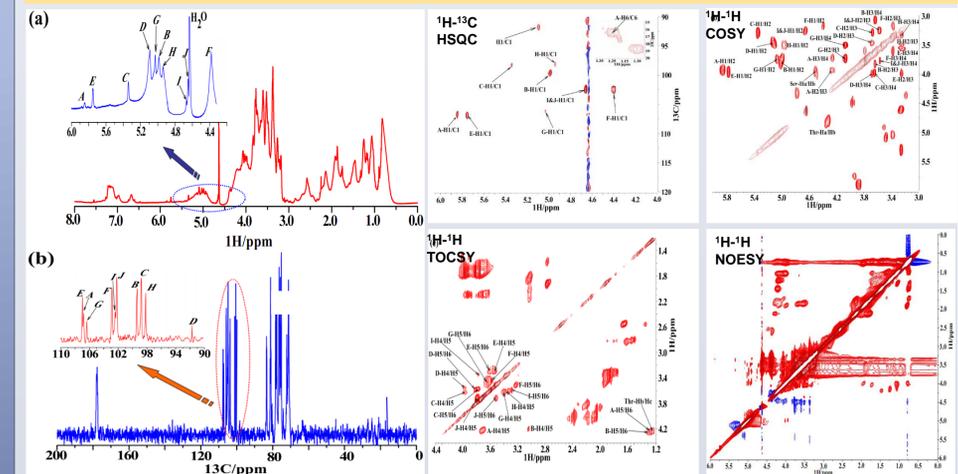
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Structure characteristic of FYGL



	Content (%) (before elimination)	Content (%) (after elimination)
Asp	14.4	14.2
Thr	8.98	5.00
Ser	10.2	6.40
Glu	9.04	9.51
Gly	12.8	12.3
Ala	9.88	12.14
Val	7.81	7.90
Ile	5.00	5.30
Phe	3.58	3.71
Pro	5.84	6.12

- Figure is β -elimination reaction probed by UV, which indicates that protein is bound with saccharide by O-glycosidic linkage.
- Table is amino acid contents before and after β -elimination reaction, which shows that after β -elimination reaction, both Thr and Ser contents were decreased, while Ala increased, indicating that protein bind covalently with saccharide by Thr and Ser residues.



- NMR analysis suggest FYGL being a heteropolysaccharide with α and β linkages, the peaks within 170 - 175 ppm in ^{13}C NMR indicates protein present. The backbone is hyperbranched polysaccharide and proteins are grafted. (Deng Pan, Ping Zhou,* et al. Carbohydrate Polymer, 2015, 117, 106-114.)

CONCLUSION

1. FYGL, screened from *G. lucidum*, is an efficient PTP1B inhibitor in vivo
2. FYGL can decrease the plasma glucose level through inhibiting the PTP1B expression and activity, consequently, regulating the tyrosine phosphorylation level of the IR β -subunit.
3. FYGL contain hyperbranched proteoglycan, which may play special roles for its bioactivities of PTP1B inhibition and antihyperglycemic potency.

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