

Fig. 2 Genetic or small-molecule activation of the HIF response is protective against multiple forms of RC inhibition, in multiple cell types.



as the second oxygen forms trans-4-hydroxyproline

Fig. 3 FG-4592 causes normoxic stabilization of HIF1α and rewires energy metabolism.



HIF1a Immunoblot

± Respiratory chain RC inhibition with antimycin or oligomycin
± FG-4592 under normoxia (21% O2) or hypoxia (1% O2)
RC inhibition prevents HIF1α stabilization during hypoxia
FG-4592 administration stabilizes HIF1α even during normoxia.



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HIF-responsive promoter in Tg(phd3::EGFP)embryos

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Known HIF targets glut1 and ldha1 are overexpressed in 96 hpf zebrafish embryos treated with FG-4592 for 6 hours

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Exposure to FG-4592 rescues antimycin-induced zebrafish embryonic death.

RC inhibition by 2.5 nM antimycin in 4 days post fertilization (dpf) embryos results in significant death within the first 24 hours of treatment.

Coexposure of antimycin with FG-4592 (2.5 μ M) doubles embryo survival, whereas FG-4592 alone has no impact.

Retinopathy of prematurity (ROP) causes 100,000 new cases of childhood blindness each year.

ROP is initiated by oxygen supplementation necessary to prevent neonatal death.

hypoxia-inducible factor (HIF) stabilization via HIF prolyl hydroxylase inhibition using the isoquinolone Roxadustat or the 2oxoglutarate analog dimethyloxalylglycine (DMOG) Roxadustat directs retinal HIF stabilization

Although both molecules conferred a protective phenotype Roxadustat rescued the HIF-1 knockout mouse from retinal oxygen toxicity, whereas DMOG could not.

The simplicity of systemic treatment that targets both the liver and the eye provides a rationale for protecting the severely premature infant from oxygen toxicity. Effect of Roxadustat on neural retina apoptosis.



FG-4592

Quantification of active caspase 3-positive cells demonstrates statistically significant reduction in apoptosis in the inner nuclear layer of animals treated with Roxadustat (RXD)

outer nuclear layer (ONL), inner nuclear layer (INL), and ganglion cell layer (GCL).

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