

## *[6]-Shogaol induces apoptosis of murine bladder cancer cells*

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## Extraction and isolation of [6]-shogaol

The fresh ginger rhizomes (SISGEN Registration No. AF12053), purchased in different local markets (Lagarto, SE, Brazil), were cut into thin slices, dried at 40°C and ground into powders. Eight hundred and sixty grams of dry ginger were extracted using series Soxhlet apparatus (60 grams of ginger in each) and 6.8 L of absolute ethanol (0.48 L in each system). The systems were subjected to solvent reflux at a temperature of 90 °C ( $\pm 2$  °C) for 12 hours (1) with the flasks submerged in a water bath (Limatec, model LTBMU20). After the extraction, the solvent was concentrated under reduced pressure at 40°C and its concentration adjusted to contain 70% ethanol. The isolation and purification of [6]-shogaol was performed according to the methodology of Silva et al (2). Briefly, the liquid ginger extract was submitted to liquid-liquid partition with n-hexane and dichloromethane. The dichloromethane fraction (12.0 g) was subjected to SiO<sub>2</sub> column (37 × 3.6 cm i.d.) (MACHEREY-NAGEL) eluted with n-hexane/ethyl acetate (1:1, v/v) in isocratic mode. Thirty subfractions (30 mL each) were collected and monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC), with the same mobile phase, and developed with UV light (254 nm) and sulfuric vanillin, to identify the fractions that contained [6]-shogaol, using the standard [6]-shogaol (R<sub>f</sub>=0.9) previously isolated in the laboratory (2). Analytical and semi-preparative HPLC were carried out using a Shimadzu Proeminence 20A system with an SPD-M20A UV-vis detector (254 and 282 nm) and LC-20AR pump. The [6]-shogaol-enriched fraction (ShEF) was submitted to [6]-shogaol isolation (t<sub>r</sub> = 11,3 min) by semi-preparative HPLC (Shim-Pack C18 column, 250 mm × 21.2 mm i.d., 10 μm), mobile phase MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 75:25 (v/v), flow rate at 19.0 mL/min and volume injection 1000 μL. Previous injections of ShEF and standard [6]-shogaol (t<sub>r</sub> = 12,7 min) were performed in analytical HPLC (Shim-Pack C-8 column, 250 × 4.6 mm i.d., 10 μm) to analyze the chromatographic separation, using mobile phase MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O 75:25 (v/v), flow rate at 1.0 mL/min and volume injection 20 μL. Standard [6]-shogaol previously isolated and identified (2) was used for HPLC analysis. After HPLC analysis with diode array detector, the degree of purity determined was greater than 97%.

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