

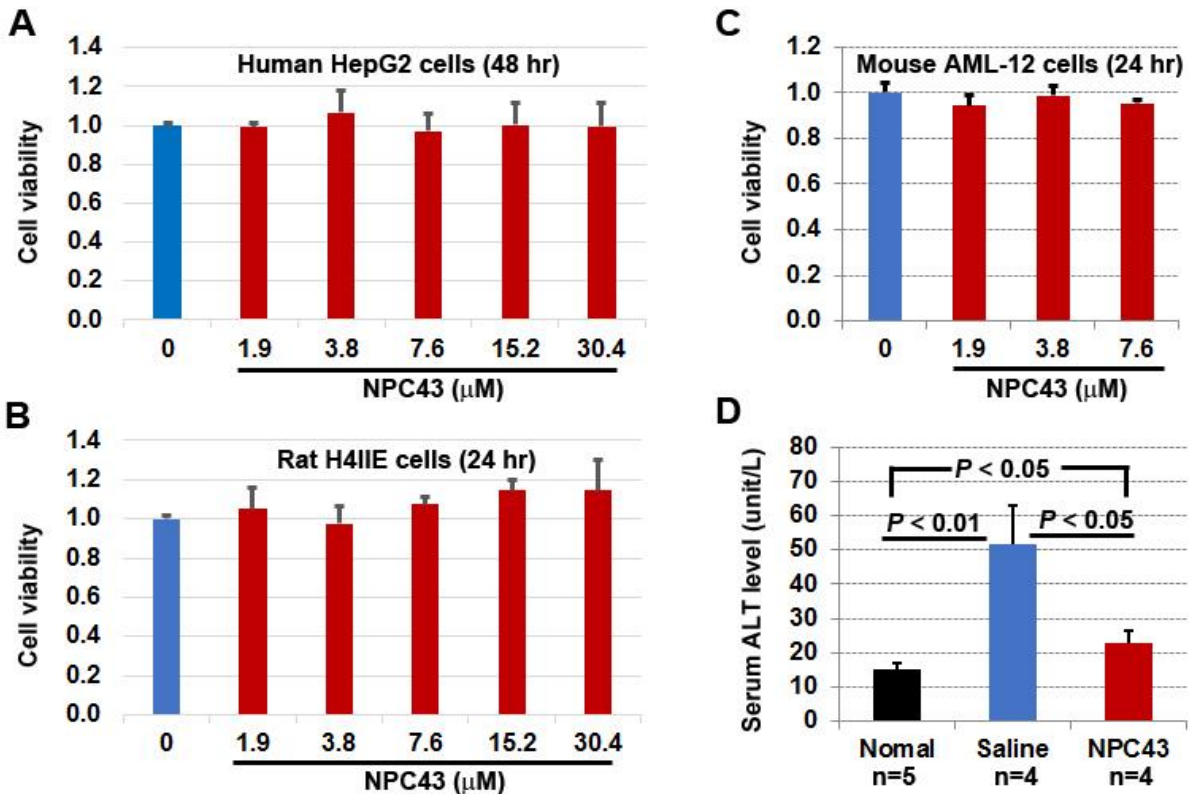
Title: Non-peptidyl small molecule, adenosine, 5'-Se-methyl-5'-seleno-, 2',3'-diacetate, activates insulin receptor and attenuates hyperglycemia in type 2 diabetic *Lepr^{db/db}* mice

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Supplementary Material-4



Effects of NPC43 on (A-C) cultured liver cell viability and (D) serum ALT levels in *Lepr^{db/db}* mice. (A-C) No toxic effects of NPC43 on cell viability in cultured human, rat and mouse liver cells. Equal numbers of (A) HepG2, (B) H4IIE cells or (C) AML-12 cells were seeded on 96-well

plates, cultured overnight, treated with NPC43 solvent (0.24% DMSO, referred to as zero control) or NPC43 (1.9-30.4 μM) in serum-free media at 37°C for 24 hr (H4IIE and AML-12 cells) or 48 hr (HepG2 cell only), and then subjected to cell viability analysis. Data are presented as mean \pm SD of four replicates per group and *P* value was higher than 0.05 (all NPC43-treated groups vs. the zero control group, *Student's t-test*). **(D)** ALT levels in the sera of *Lepr^{db/db}* mice after chronic treatment with NPC43. *Lepr^{db/db}* mice were intraperitoneally injected with 0.2% (v/v) DMSO/physiological saline or NPC43 (0.136 mg/kg BW) daily for 52 days. Then, sera from these DMSO/saline- and NPC43-treated *Lepr^{db/db}* mice, as well as age-matched (3-month-old) wild-type C57 mice (without treatments, referred to as normal group), were subjected to ALT analysis. Data are presented as Mean \pm SEM of indicated number of mice per group, and *Student's t-test* was performed to obtain the *P* value between indicated two groups.