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Abstract

Human African trypanosomiasis is a disease of sub-Saharan Africa, where millions are at risk for the illness. The disease, commonly referred to as African sleeping sickness, is caused by an infection by the eukaryotic pathogen, *Trypanosoma brucei*. Previously, a target-based high throughput screen revealed ebselen (*EbSe*), and its sulfur analog, *EbS*, to be potent *in vitro* inhibitors of the *T. brucei* hexokinase 1 (TbHK1).

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