

## Small Molecules

### IWR-1-endo

WNT pathway inhibitor; AXIN2 stabilizer



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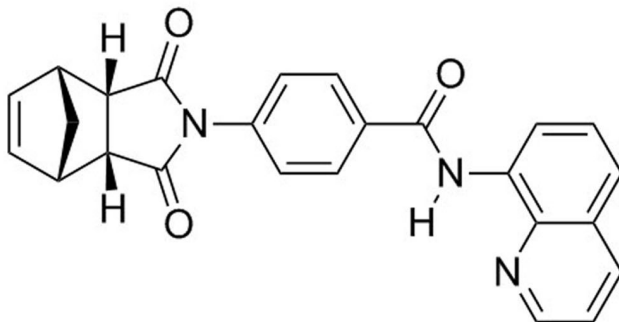
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## Product Description

IWR-1-endo is an inhibitor of WNT signaling. WNT proteins are small secreted proteins that are active in embryonic development, tissue homeostasis (Clevers), and tumorigenesis (Polakis; Reya et al.). WNT proteins bind to receptors on the cell surface, initiating a signaling cascade that leads to  $\beta$ -catenin accumulation and downstream gene transcription. IWR-1-endo is a potent inhibitor of the WNT response, blocking a cell-based WNT/ $\beta$ -catenin pathway reporter response with an  $IC_{50}$  value of 180 nM (Chen et al.). It inhibits WNT-induced accumulation of  $\beta$ -catenin, through stabilization of the destruction complex member AXIN2 (Chen et al.). The IWR-1-exo diastereomer exhibits much less activity against the WNT/ $\beta$ -catenin pathway and has been used as a control (Chen et al.).

Molecular Name:	IWR-1-endo
Alternative Names:	Not applicable
CAS Number:	1127442-82-3
Chemical Formula:	$C_{25}H_{19}N_3O_3$
Molecular Weight:	409.4 g/mol
Purity:	$\geq 98\%$
Chemical Name:	4-[(3aR,4S,7R,7aS)-1,3,3a,4,7,7a-hexahydro-1,3-dioxo-4,7-methano-2H-isoindol-2-yl]-N-8-quinolinylbenzamide

Structure:



## Properties

Physical Appearance:	A crystalline solid
Storage:	Product stable at $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ as supplied. Protect from prolonged exposure to light. For product expiry date, please contact techsupport@stemcell.com.
Solubility:	$\cdot$ DMSO $\leq 45$ mM For example, to prepare a 1 mM stock solution in DMSO, resuspend 1 mg in 2.44 mL of fresh DMSO.

Prepare stock solution fresh before use. Information regarding stability of small molecules in solution has rarely been reported, however, as a general guide we recommend storage in DMF at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Aliquot into working volumes to avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. The effect of storage of stock solution on compound performance should be tested for each application.

Compound has low solubility in aqueous media. For use as a cell culture supplement, stock solution should be diluted into culture medium immediately before use. Avoid final DMF concentration above 0.1% due to potential cell toxicity.

## Published Applications

### MAINTENANCE AND SELF-RENEWAL

- Promotes self-renewal and maintains pluripotency of human embryonic stem cells and mouse Epi-stem cells when used in combination with CHIR99021 (Kim et al.).

### DIFFERENTIATION

- Promotes differentiation of cardiomyocytes from human pluripotent stem cells (PSCs) that have been induced to mesoderm by addition of Activin A and/or BMP4 (Ren et al.; Willems et al.).
- Induces the differentiation of human PSC-derived alveolar epithelial type II (AETII) to AETI cells (Ghaedi et al.).

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