#### **Rho Kinase Inhibitor IV**

# Small Molecules

RHO/ROCK pathway inhibitor; Inhibits

ROCK2

Catalog # 73802 500 μg 73804 1 mg



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## **Product Description**

Rho Kinase Inhibitor IV is a selective and potent inhibitor of Rho-associated coiled-coil containing protein kinase 2 (ROCK2;  $IC_{50} = 11.8$  nM; Tamura et al.). It is a glycyl analog of Fasudil (Catalog #73662) with increased specificity for ROCK2 (Tamura et al.). Rho Kinase Inhibitor IV is more potent than other ROCK inhibitors, including Y-27632 (Ki = 220 nM; Catalog #72302) and Fasudil ( $IC_{50} = 158$  nM). It shows good specificity for ROCK2 compared to other kinases such as calcium/calmodulin-dependent kinase type II ( $IC_{50} = 2.57 \,\mu\text{M}$ ), PKG ( $IC_{50} = 2.35 \,\mu\text{M}$ ), Aurora A ( $IC_{50} = 3.26 \,\mu\text{M}$ ), or PKA or PKC ( $IC_{50} \ge 10 \,\mu\text{M}$  each). ROCK1 and ROCK2 act downstream of the G protein Rho to regulate actin-myosin turnover and dynamics, and play an important role in stem cell renewal, smooth muscle contraction, cell adhesion, and proliferation (Narumiya et al.; Olson; Watanabe et al.). This product is supplied as the dihydrochloride salt of the molecule.

Molecular Name: Rho Kinase Inhibitor IV (Dihydrochloride)

Alternative Names: (S)-Glycyl-H-1152

**CAS Number**: 67-56-1

Chemical Formula:  $C_{18}H_{24}N_4O_3S \cdot 2HCI$ 

Molecular Weight: 449.4 g/mol Purity:  $\geq 98\%$ 

Chemical Name: 2-amino-1-[(3S)-hexahydro-3-methyl-4-[(4-methyl-5-isoquinolinyl)sulfonyl]-1H-1,4-diazepin-1-yl]-ethanone,

dihydrochloride

Structure:

# Properties

Physical Appearance: A solution in methanol

Storage: Product stable at -20°C as supplied. Protect product from prolonged exposure to light.

Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.

Solubility: Not applicable.

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## **Published Applications**

**DIFFERENTIATION** 

- · Promotes neurite growth in primary rat neuronal cultures (Al-Ali et al.).
- · Impairs primitive gut tube development including midgut elongation in Xenopus embryos (Reed et al.).

**DISEASE MODELING** 

· Reduces intraocular pressure in a rabbit model of glaucoma (Tamura et al.).

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