#### SB203580

# **Small Molecules**

p38 MAPK inhibitor

Catalog # 72222 5 mg



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## **Product Description**

SB203580 (Hydrochloride) is a potent inhibitor of p38 mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK) activity (IC<sub>50</sub> = 0.6 μM). It inhibits both the α and β isoforms of p38 MAPK, and does not inhibit ERK or JNK (Bain et al.; Cuenda et al.). This product is supplied as a hydrochloride salt of the molecule, which has greater solubility than the free base form.

Molecular Name: SB203580 (Hydrochloride) Alternative Names: PB 203580; RWJ 64809

CAS Number: 869185-85-3 Chemical Formula: C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>16</sub>FN<sub>3</sub>OS · HCI

Molecular Weight: 413.9 g/mol Purity: ≥ 98%

Chemical Name: 4-[4-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-[4-(methylsulfinyl)phenyl]-1H-imidazol-5-yl]-pyridine monohydrochloride

Structure:

### **Properties**

Physical Appearance: A crystalline solid

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

Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.

Solubility:  $\cdot$  DMSO  $\leq$  70 mM

· Absolute ethanol ≤ 70 mM

For example, to prepare a 10 mM stock solution in DMSO, resuspend 5 mg in 1.21 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 DMSO at -20°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 DMSO concentration above 0.1% due to potential cell toxicity.

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## **Published Applications**

MAINTENANCE AND SELF-RENEWAL

- · Enhances the growth and self-renewal of mouse embryonic stem (ES) cells (Qi et al.).
- · Promotes long-term maintenance of human naïve pluripotent stem cells (Gafni et al.).
- · Promotes proliferation of human endothelial progenitor cells (Seeger et al.).
- · Promotes proliferation of neonatal and adult rat cardiomyocytes (Engel et al.).

#### **DIFFERENTIATION**

- · Enhances differentiation of cardiomyocytes from human ES cells (Gaur et al.; Graichen et al.).
- · Inhibits differentiation of cardiomyocytes from mouse ES cells by inhibition of early mesoderm (Davidson & Morange).

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