

# Small Molecules

Y-27632

RHO/ROCK pathway inhibitor; Inhibits ROCK1 and ROCK2

Catalog #	72302	1 mg
	72304	5 mg
	72307	5 x 10 mg
	72308	50 mg



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## Product Description

Y-27632 is a cell-permeable, highly potent and selective inhibitor of Rho-associated, coiled-coil containing protein kinase (ROCK). Y-27632 inhibits both ROCKI ( $K_i = 220$  nM) and ROCKII ( $K_i = 300$  nM) by competing with ATP for binding to the catalytic site (Davies et al.; Ishizaki et al.). This product is supplied as a dihydrochloride salt of the molecule.

**Molecular Name:** Y-27632 (Dihydrochloride)

**Alternative Names:** Not applicable

**CAS Number:** 129830-38-2

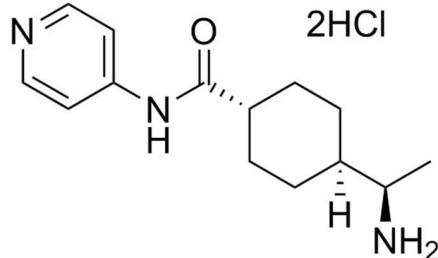
**Chemical Formula:**  $C_{14}H_{21}N_3O \cdot 2HCl$

**Molecular Weight:** 320.3 g/mol

**Purity:**  $\geq 98\%$

**Chemical Name:** 4-[(1R)-1-aminoethyl]-N-4-pyridinyl-trans-cyclohexanecarboxamide, dihydrochloride

**Structure:**



## Properties

**Physical Appearance:** A crystalline solid

**Storage:** Product stable at -20°C as supplied. Protect from prolonged exposure to light. For long-term storage store with a desiccant. For product expiry date, please contact [techsupport@stemcell.com](mailto:techsupport@stemcell.com).

**Solubility:**

- PBS (pH 7.2)  $\leq 30$  mM
- DMSO  $\leq 90$  mM
- Absolute ethanol  $\leq 15$  mM

For example, to prepare a 5 mM stock solution in PBS or water, resuspend 1 mg in 624  $\mu$ L of PBS (pH 7.2) or water.

Prepare stock solution fresh before use. Stock solutions in PBS or water are stable at -20°C for up to 6 months. 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.

For use as a cell culture supplement, stock solution should be diluted into culture medium immediately before use. This product has been shown to be effective at a final concentration of 10  $\mu$ M (Ungrin et al., Watanabe et al.). Avoid final DMSO concentration above 0.1% due to potential cell toxicity.

## Published Applications

### MAINTENANCE AND SELF-RENEWAL

- Enhances survival of human embryonic stem (ES) cells when they are dissociated to single cells by preventing dissociation-induced apoptosis (anoikis), thus increasing their cloning efficiency (Watanabe et al.).
- Improves embryoid body formation using forced-aggregation protocols (Ungrin et al.).
- Increases the survival of cryopreserved single human ES cells after thawing (Li et al.).
- Blocks apoptosis of mouse ES-derived neural precursors after dissociation and transplantation (Koyanagi et al.).

### REPROGRAMMING

- Direct lineage reprogramming of fibroblasts to mature neurons, in combination with CHIR99021, RepSox, Forskolin, SP600125, Gö6983 and Valproic Acid (Hu et al.).

### DIFFERENTIATION

- Improves survival of human ES cell monolayers at the initiation of differentiation protocols (Rezania et al.)

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