ISX-9

# Small Molecules

Inducer of neural differentiation

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Catalog # 73202 10 mg

# **Product Description**

ISX-9 is a small molecule inducer of adult neural stem cell differentiation both in vitro and in vivo (Schneider et al.). It has been shown to act through a calcium-activated signaling pathway dependent on myocyte-enhancer factor 2 (MEF2)-dependent gene expression (Schneider et al.).

Molecular Name: ISX-9

Alternative Names: Isoxazole 9, Neuronal Differentiation Inducer III, ISX-1

CAS Number: 832115-62-5 Chemical Formula:  $C_{11}H_{10}N_2O_2S$ Molecular Weight: 234.3 g/mol Purity:  $\geq$  95%

Chemical Name: N-cyclopropyl-5-thiophen-2-yl-1,2-oxazole-3-carboxamide

Structure:

## **Properties**

Physical Appearance: A crystalline solid

Storage: Product stable at -20°C as supplied. Protect from prolonged exposure to light. For product expiry date, please

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Solubility:  $\cdot$  DMSO  $\leq$  85 mM

· Absolute ethanol ≤ 4 mM

For example, to prepare a 10 mM stock solution in DMSO, resuspend 10 mg in 4.27 mL of 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**

#### REPROGRAMMING

· Direct lineage reprogramming of fibroblasts to mature neurons, in combination with CHIR99021, Forskolin, SB431542, and I-BET151 (Li et al.).

#### **DIFFERENTIATION**

- · Induces neuronal differentiation in the HCN hippocampal neural stem/progenitor cell line from adult rat, in whole brain or subventricular zone neural progenitor cells from adult mice, and in P19 embryonic carcinoma cells (Schneider et al.).
- · Improves hippocampal neurogenesis and function in mice (Petrik et al.).
- · Stimulates cardiac muscle gene expression and cell cycle activity in adult mouse myocardium (Russell et al.).
- · Blocks tumor cell proliferation and induces neuronal gene expression in malignant astrocytes (Zhang et al.).
- · Improves β-cell function, increases expression of transcription factors that enhance β-cell differentiation and increases intracellular insulin content in primary human islet cultures (Dioum et al.).

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