

# Small Molecules

IWP-2

WNT pathway inhibitor; Inhibits Porcupine

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1 mg  
10 mg



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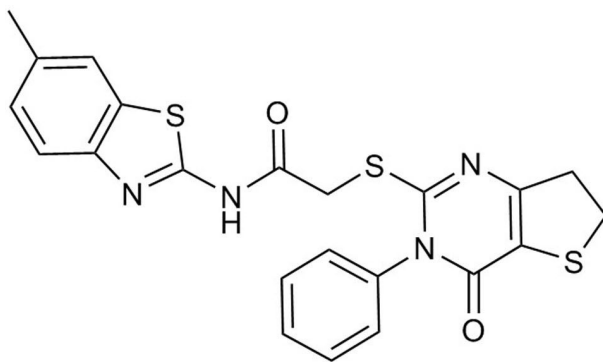
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## Product Description

IWP-2 inhibits the WNT pathway ( $IC_{50} = 27$  nM) at the level of the pathway activator Porcupine. Porcupine is a membrane-bound acyltransferase that palmitoylates WNT proteins, which leads to WNT secretion and signaling capability (Chen et al.; Willert et al.).

Molecular Name:	IWP-2
Alternative Names:	Inhibitor of WNT Production-2
CAS Number:	686770-61-6
Chemical Formula:	$C_{22}H_{18}N_4O_2S_3$
Molecular Weight:	466.6 g/mol
Purity:	≥ 95%
Chemical Name:	N-(6-methyl-2-benzothiazolyl)-2-[(3,4,6,7-tetrahydro-4-oxo-3-phenylthieno[3,2-d]pyrimidin-2-yl)thio]-acetamide

Structure:



## Properties

Physical Appearance:	A crystalline solid
Storage:	Product stable at $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ as supplied. As a precaution, STEMCELL recommends storing all small molecules away from direct light. Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.
Solubility:	· DMSO $\leq 10$ mM For example, to prepare a 5 mM stock solution in DMSO, resuspend 1 mg in 429 $\mu\text{L}$ 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 $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ . 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 DMSO concentration above 0.1% due to potential cell toxicity.

## Published Applications

### DIFFERENTIATION

- Suppresses self-renewal of mouse embryonic stem (ES) cells and supports their conversion to epiblast-like stem cells (Berge et al.).
- Inhibits maintenance and proliferation of mouse Lgr5+ intestinal and cochlear epithelial stem cells, demonstrating the importance of WNT signaling in these processes (Chai et al.; Farin et al.).
- Promotes cardiomyocyte differentiation from human pluripotent stem cells (Lian et al.; Minami et al.).

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