

# Small Molecules

SB431542

Activin/BMP/TGF $\beta$  pathway inhibitor;  
Inhibits ALK4, ALK5, and ALK7

Catalog # 72232  
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1 mg  
10 mg



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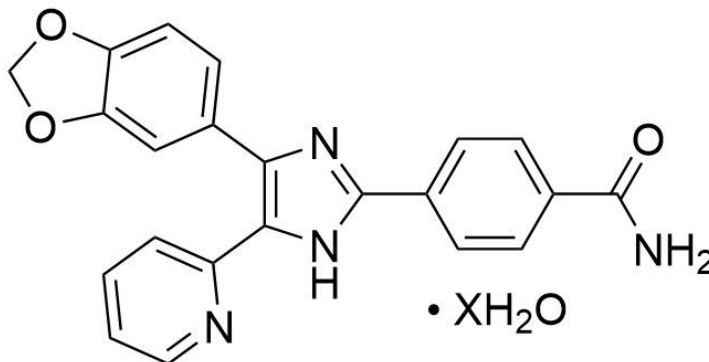
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## Product Description

SB431542 is a selective and potent inhibitor of the transforming growth factor (TGF)- $\beta$ , Activin, and Nodal pathways. It inhibits the TGF- $\beta$  type I receptors ALK5 (IC<sub>50</sub> = 94 nM), ALK4 (IC<sub>50</sub> = 140 nM), and ALK7 by competing for the ATP binding site. It does not inhibit the bone morphogenetic protein (BMP) type I receptors ALK2, ALK3, and ALK6 (Inman et al.; Laping et al.). This product is supplied as the hydrate form of the molecule.

Molecular Name:	SB431542 (Hydrate)
Alternative Names:	SB-431542
CAS Number:	Not applicable
Chemical Formula:	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>3</sub> • XH <sub>2</sub> O
Molecular Weight:	384.4 g/mol
Purity:	≥ 98%
Chemical Name:	4-[4-(1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)-5-(2-pyridinyl)-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-benzamide
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:	· DMSO ≤ 50 mM · Absolute ethanol ≤ 5.2 mM For example, to prepare a 10 mM stock solution in DMSO, resuspend 1 mg in 260 $\mu$ L of DMSO. NOTE: This is based on a molecular weight (MW) of 384.4 g/mol. MW may vary due to variable water content of the molecule.

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.

## Published Applications

### REPROGRAMMING

- Replaces SOX2 in the reprogramming of mouse fibroblasts to induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells (Ichida et al.).
- Increases the efficiency of reprogramming human somatic cells to iPS cells, in combination with PD0325901 (Catalog #72182) and Thiazovivin (Catalog #72252) (Lin et al.).
- Direct lineage reprogramming of fibroblasts to mature neurons, in combination with CHIR99021 (Catalog #72052), ISX-9 (Catalog #73202), Forskolin (Catalog #72112), and I-BET151 (Catalog #73712; Li et al.).

### DIFFERENTIATION

- Promotes differentiation of neural progenitor cells from human pluripotent stem cells (PSCs), in combination with either LDN193189 (Catalog #72146) or Noggin (Catalog #78060) (Chambers et al. 2009; Chambers et al. 2012).
- Promotes proliferation and sheet formation of mouse embryonic stem (ES)-derived endothelial cells (Watabe et al.).
- Enhances differentiation of cardiomyocytes from mouse and human PSCs (Kattman et al.).
- Inhibits the self-renewal and causes differentiation of human PSCs, demonstrating the importance of the TGF $\beta$ /Activin/Nodal pathway in their maintenance (James et al.; Vallier et al.).

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