#### Refametinib

# Small Molecules

MEK/ERK Pathway Inhibitor; Inhibits

MEK1 and MEK2

Catalog # 73372 73374 1 mg 10 mg



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## **Product Description**

Refametinib is an inhibitor of both mitogen-activated protein kinase kinases 1 (MEK1) and 2 (MEK2) with  $IC_{50}$  values of 19 and 47 nM, respectively. It binds in an allosteric site adjacent to the ATP pocket and is selective for MEK1/2 versus 205 other kinases (Iverson et al.).

Molecular Name: Refametinib

Alternative Names: BAY-86-9766; RDEA119

CAS Number: 923032-37-5 Chemical Formula:  $C_{19}H_{20}F_3IN_2O_5S$ Molecular Weight: 572.3 g/mol Purity:  $\geq$  95%

Chemical Name: N-[3,4-difluoro-2-[(2-fluoro-4-iodophenyl)amino]-6-methoxyphenyl]-1-[(2S)-2,3-dihydroxypropyl]-

cyclopropanesulfonamide

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  $\leq$  1.5 mM

· Absolute ethanol ≤ 35 mM

For example, to prepare a 1 mM stock solution in DMSO, resuspend 1 mg in 1.75 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**

CANCER RESEARCH

- · Inhibits growth of cancer cell lines in vitro, including those expressing B-RAF mutation V600E (Iverson et al.).
- · Inhibits tumor growth in various xenograft models including human melanoma A375 and human colon cancer COLO 205 cell lines, and primary pancreatic cancers (Iverson et al.; Chang et al.).
- · Synergistically induces apoptosis in pancreatic cancer cell lines when combined with Erlotinib, an epidermal growth factor receptor (EGFR) inhibitor (Diep et al.).
- · Synergistically inhibits tumor growth in hepatocellular carcinoma rodent models when combined with Sorafenib, an inhibitor of the tyrosine kinases vascular endothelial growth factor receptor (VEGFR) and platelet-derived growth factor receptor (PDGFR) (Schmieder et al.).

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