

# **Data Sheet**

 Product Name:
 CCG-203971

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 CS-0028459

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 1443437-74-8

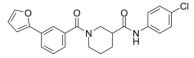
 Molecular Formula:
 C23H21CIN2O3

Molecular Weight: 408.88
Target: Ras

Pathway: GPCR/G Protein

Solubility: DMSO : ≥ 155 mg/mL (379.08 mM); H2O : < 0.1 mg/mL

(insoluble)



### **BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY:**

CCG-203971 is a second-generation Rho/MRTF/SRF pathway inhibitor. CCG-203971 potently targets RhoA/C-activated SRE-luciferase (IC $_{50}$  =6.4  $\mu$ M). CCG-203971 inhibits PC-3 cell migration with an IC $_{50}$  of 4.2  $\mu$ M. Potential anti-metastasis Agent<sup>[1][2]</sup>. IC50 & Target: RhoA/MRTF-A<sup>[1]</sup> In Vitro: CCG-203971, a second-generation Ras homolog gene family, member A (RhoA)/myocardin-related transcription factor A (MRTF-A)/serum response factor (SRF) pathway inhibitor, represses both matrix-stiffness and transforming growth factor beta-mediated fibrogenesis as determined by protein and gene expression in a dose-dependent manner. CCG-203971 significantly represses TGF- $\beta$ - induced MKL1 expression at 25  $\mu$ M concentration<sup>[2]</sup>. Human dermal fibroblasts are plated onto 96-well plates and allowed to grow for 3 days in the presence of 30  $\mu$ M CCG-203971 or DMSO vehicle. Viable cell density is assessed through enzymatic reduction of the water-soluble tetrazolium dye WST-1. Scleroderma dermal fibroblasts proliferate faster than normal cells, and this is inhibited by CCG-203971<sup>[3]</sup>. In Vivo: CCG-203971 is tested in a Bleomycin skin injury model. Bleomycin is administered in 50  $\mu$ L of DMSO intraperitoneally. Preliminary studies show that Bleomycin administered in this manner is well tolerated at 100 mg/kg twice a day. Intradermal Bleomycin for 2 weeks along with the DMSO control (50  $\mu$ L i.p.) results in marked dermal thickening (P<0.0001) compared with the PBS+DMSO group, which does not receive Bleomycin. CCG-203971 treatment strongly and significantly (P<0.001) suppresses the Bleomycin-induced skin thickening in this model. Skin collagen amounts, assessed by measurement of hydroxyproline content, show similar results. Bleomycin injections promote collagen deposition (P<0.01) and CCG-203971 is able to block this effect (P<0.05)<sup>[3]</sup>.

## PROTOCOL (Extracted from published papers and Only for reference)

Cell Assay: [3] Human dermal fibroblasts ( $2.0 \times 10^4$ ) are plated into a 96-well plate and grown overnight in DMEM containing 10% FBS. Media are removed and replaced with DMEM containing 2% FBS and 30  $\mu$ M CCG-203971 or 0.1% DMSO control. After 72 hours WST-1 dye is added to each well, and after 60 minutes absorbance at 490 nm is read using a Wallac Victor2 plate reader<sup>[3]</sup>.

Animal Administration: [3] Mice[3]

Skin fibrosis is induced in C57BL/6 mice (female, 8 weeks old) by local intracutaneous injection of 100  $\mu$ L of Bleomycin (1 mg/mL) in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), every day for 2 weeks in a defined area (~1 cm²) on the upper back. Intracutaneous injection of 100  $\mu$ L of PBS is used as a control. Three groups of mice with a total of 21 mice are used. One group receives injections of PBS and the other two are challenged with Bleomycin. Twice-a-day intraperitoneal administration of CCG-203971 (100 mg/kg in 50  $\mu$ L of DMSO) is initiated together with the first challenge of Bleomycin and continues for 2 weeks. DMSO is used as the vehicle control. The three groups of animals are: (1) PBS/DMSO; (2) Bleomycin/DMSO; and (3) Bleomycin/CCG-203971. After treatment, animals are humanely killed by cervical dislocation, and tissue is collected<sup>[3]</sup>.

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#### **CAIndexNames**:

3-Piperidinecarboxamide, N-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-[3-(2-furanyl)benzoyl]-

## **SMILES:**

O=C(C1CN(C(C2=CC=CC(C3=CC=CO3)=C2)=O)CCC1)NC4=CC=C(CI)C=C4

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