**Proteins** 

# **Product** Data Sheet

## **VX-11e**

Cat. No.: HY-14178 CAS No.: 896720-20-0 Molecular Formula:  $C_{24}H_{20}Cl_{2}FN_{5}O_{2}$ 

Molecular Weight: 500.35 Target: ERK

Pathway: MAPK/ERK Pathway; Stem Cell/Wnt

Storage: Powder

3 years  $4^{\circ}C$ 2 years

In solvent -80°C 2 years

-20°C

-20°C 1 year

#### **SOLVENT & SOLUBILITY**

In Vitro DMSO : ≥ 100 mg/mL (199.86 mM)

\* "≥" means soluble, but saturation unknown.

Preparing Stock Solutions	Solvent Mass Concentration	1 mg	5 mg	10 mg
	1 mM	1.9986 mL	9.9930 mL	19.9860 mL
	5 mM	0.3997 mL	1.9986 mL	3.9972 mL
	10 mM	0.1999 mL	0.9993 mL	1.9986 mL

Please refer to the solubility information to select the appropriate solvent.

In Vivo

- 1. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 40% PEG300 >> 5% Tween-80 >> 45% saline Solubility: ≥ 3.25 mg/mL (6.50 mM); Clear solution
- 2. Add each solvent one by one: 10% DMSO >> 90% corn oil Solubility: ≥ 3.25 mg/mL (6.50 mM); Clear solution

### **BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY**

Description	VX-11e is a potent, selective, and orally bioavailable inhibitor of ERK with $\rm K_i$ < 2 nM.				
IC <sub>50</sub> & Target	ERK2 2 nM (Ki)	GSK3 395 (Ki)	AURA 540 (Ki)	CDK2 852 (Ki)	
In Vitro	VX-11e is active in the HT29 cell proliferation assay ( $IC_{50}$ =48 nM) $^{[1]}$ .  MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.				
In Vivo	$ \textit{VX-11e} \ is \ or ally \ bioavailable \ in \ both \ rat \ and \ mice^{[1]}. \ \textit{VX-11e} \ (50 \ mg/kg, p.o.) \ results \ in \ robust \ inhibition \ of \ pRSK, \ and \ inhibits$				

tumor growth in NSG mice bearing human melanoma RPDX tumors. VX-11e with BKM120 significantly improves tumor growth inhibition<sup>[2]</sup>.

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#### **PROTOCOL**

#### Kinase Assay [1]

Compounds are assayed for the inhibition of ERK2 by a spectophotometric coupled-enzyme assay. In this assay, a fixed concentration of activated ERK2 (10 nM) is incubated with various concentrations of the compounds in DMSO (2.5%) for 10 min. at 30°C in 0.1 mol/L HEPES buffer, pH=7.5, containing 10 mM MgCl $_2$ , 2.5 mM phosphoenolpyruvate, 200  $\mu$ M NADH, 150  $\mu$ g/mL pyruvate kinase, 50  $\mu$ g/mL lactate dehydrogenase and 200  $\mu$ M erktide peptide. The reaction is initiated by the addition of 65  $\mu$ M ATP. The rate of decrease of absorbance at 340 nM is monitored.

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#### Cell Assay [1]

Cell proliferation is measured by  $^3$ H-thymidine incorporation. The cells are plated at a concentration of 10,000 cells/well in a 96-well plate using growth media, RPMI 1640 containing 10% FBS. Serially diluted compounds are added. The cells and compounds are incubated for 48 hours at 37°C incubator. After 48 hours, 0.4  $\mu$ Ci of  $^3$ H-thymidine is added to each wells for 8 hours and returned to the 37°C incubator. The cells are harvested using a Tomtec 96-well cell harvester and the CPM is determined using the Wallac 1205 BETAPLATE liquid scintillation counter.

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# Animal Administration [2]

Human melanoma RPDX tumors are expanded in vivo using NSG mice prior to the therapy experiments. Pooled tumor chunks banked from early mouse passages are implanted into 50 NSG mice (1:10 expansion). These tumors are harvested when reaching the maximum volume allowed on the protocol (1,000 mm³), digested, and banked as live cells. The larger part of this stock is retained as a master bank, and the other part is implanted at a 1:5 ratio into NSG mice to use in the therapy experiments. The expansion phase is under continuous drug pressure with PLX4720 200 ppm chemical additive diet at approximately clinical plasma levels. The plasma levels of PLX4720 (103.7  $\mu$ g/mL  $\pm$ 3.2 after 7 days) are similar to steady-state levels in patients treated with vemurafenib 960 mg twice a day (130.6  $\mu$ g/mL $\pm$ 71.78). When tumors have reached 200 mm³ per caliper measurement, animals are randomized into treatment groups followed by a 3-day ishout phase. Tumor size is assessed twice weekly per caliper measurement. Mice are sacrificed after two weeks of treatment or when necessary for animal welfare. Dosing is prolonged when tumor control is achieved as indicated. Tumor tissue is conserved in formalin (for FFPE) and snap-frozen in liquid N2 for protein extraction. Treatment groups are sacrificed 4 hours after last dose. MCE has not independently confirmed the accuracy of these methods. They are for reference only.

## CUSTOMER VALIDATION

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