

# StemMACS™ CHIR99021

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## 1. Description

**Components** StemMACS™ CHIR99021. A selective small

molecule GSK3 inhibitor

**Size** 2 mg; 5×2 mg **Product format** Off-white solid

Molecular weight 465.34 CAS number 252917-06-9

Systematic name 6-[[2-[[4-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-(5-methyl-

1*H*-imidazol-2-yl)-2 pyrimidinyl]amino]ethyl]

amino]-3-pyridinecarbonitrile

Molecular formula C22H18Cl2N8

Structure

HN CI CI CI

Purity >98% by LC/MS

**Soluble** in DMSO (up to 100 mM upon warming).

Storage Store powder at -20 °C. After reconstitution,

store aliquots at -20 °C. Protect from light.

Quality control Purity and identity of StemMACS CHIR99021

were determined by LC/MS. Cell culture compatibility was tested on pluripotent stem

cell cultures.

# 1.1 Background information

StemMACS<sup>™</sup> CHIR99021 is a highly selective inhibitor of glycogen synthase kinase 3 (GSK-3), a crucial regulator of the Wnt signaling pathway. The aminopyridine CHIR99021 inhibits both GSK-3 isoforms, GSK-3 $\alpha$  (IC50 10 nM) and GSK-3 $\beta$  (IC50 6.7 nM). Unlike other GSK-3 inhibitors, it does not cross-react with cyclin-dependent kinases (CDKs). Activation of Wnt signaling via CHIR99021-mediated GSK-3 inhibition is widely used to modulate pluripotent stem cell differentiation and self-renewal.

#### 2. Protocol

#### 2.1 Preparation of stock solution

Effective concentrations of StemMACS CHIR99021 for cell culture applications range from 0.1  $\mu$ M to 15  $\mu$ M. A 10 mM stock solution in DMSO will be appropriate for most applications and can be prepared as follows:

 Reconstitute the entire vial contents by adding 429.8 μL of pure DMSO. Warm to 37 °C for 3–5 minutes to facilitate solubilization.

 $\triangle$  Note: The vial may have turned upside down during transportation. Gently tap prior to reconstitution to collect all powder at the bottom of the vial.

 Prepare appropriate aliquots and store at −20 °C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

▲ Note: The DMSO concentration in culture should not exceed 0.5 %. Stock solutions of alternate concentration can be prepared using the following table. Add the solvent directly to the vial, it will hold up to 4 mL.

Desired stock	1 mM	2mM	5 mM	10 mM	20 mM
Volume of DMSO to add	Dilute 1:10 from a 10 mM stock	2149 μL	859.6 μL	429.8 μL	214.9 µL

#### 2.2 Use in cell culture

- 1. Thaw aliquots at 37 °C as needed.
- 2. To avoid precipitation, prewarm the cell culture media prior to adding the reconstituted compound.
- 3. Mix and filter the supplemented media through a 0.2  $\mu$ m low-protein binding filter.

All protocols and data sheets are available at www.miltenyibiotec.com.

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