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# **DATASHEET**

Deschloroclozapine dihydrochloride (DCZ) (water soluble)

#### **Product overview**

Name Deschloroclozapine dihydrochloride (DCZ) (water soluble)

Cat No HB9126
Alternative names DCZ
Biological action Agonist
Purity >99%

**Description** Potent, selective and metabolically stable hM3Dq and hM4Di muscarinic DREADD actuator. Water

soluble.

## **Images**



## **Biological Data**

## **Biological description**

#### **Overview**

Deschloroclozapine (DCZ) is reported to be a potent, selective and highly brain-penetrable muscarinic hM3Dq and hM4Di DREADD actuator with minimal off-target actions ( $K_i = 6.3$  and 4.2 nM at hM3Dq and hM4Di respectively) and (EC $_{50}$  values are 0.13 and 0.081 nM at hM3Dq and hM4Di respectively in a BRET-based assay.

It represents a potent, selective, metabolically stable and fast acting DREADD agonist with utility in both mice and non-human primates for a variety of applications.

It shows 100-fold improved affinity and greater agonist potency for hM3Dq and hM4Di compared to Clozapine n-Oxide (CNO) or DREADD agonist 21 (C21) with reduced off-target binding compared with clozapine in vitro. It has lower affinity at  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$  and 5-HT<sub>2A</sub> and 5-HT<sub>2C</sub> receptors compared with clozapine.

PET studies demonstrate the compound is rapidly brain penetrable, is apparently selective and doses for DREADD occupancy are 20-fold and 60-fold lower than CNO or DREADD agonist 21 (C21) respectively.

#### **Uses and applications**

Systemic delivery of low doses of DCZ (1 or 3 µg/kg) were shown to enhance neuronal activity via hM3Dq in mice and monkeys within minutes.

Intramuscular doses of 100  $\mu$ g/kg reversibly induced spatial working memory deficits in hM4Di expressing monkeys.

Deschloroclozapine freebase also available.

## **Solubility & Handling**

Storage instructions Solubility overview Handling -20°C

Soluble in water (100 mM). Always store solutions at -20  $^{\circ}\text{C}.$ 

Storage of solid

- Store at -20°C.
- Please note that the compound is a hydroscopic solid and contact with air may cause material
  to become sticky. Product performance should not be affected but we recommend storing the
  material in a sealed jar.

### Storage of solutions

- Make up solutions and use immediately.
- If storage of solutions is required, you should aliquot out the solution into tightly sealed vials and store at -20 °C and store these for up to one month.
- Allow the product to equilibrate to RT for at least one hour before opening and using.

#### Storage of solutions at room temperature

 We recommend only keeping solutions at room temperature (25 °C) for a few days as our studies have shown that after 96 hours the purity of the compound in solution drops to ~97% and will continue to drop over time.

**Important** 

This product is for RESEARCH USE ONLY and is not intended for therapeutic or diagnostic use. Not for human or veterinary use

#### **Chemical Data**

Chemical name Molecular Weight Chemical structure 6-(4-methylpiperazin-1-yl)-11H-benzo[b][1,4]benzodiazepine dihydrochloride

HCI N N HCI N H

Molecular Formula CAS Number SMILES

C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>20</sub>N<sub>4</sub>.2HCl 1977-07-7 (free base)

CI.CI.CN1CCN(CC1)C2=Nc4ccccc4Nc3ccccc23

Source Syntheti

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InChiKey ZMDCCOPUWCVMFM-UHFFFAOYSA-N

Appearance Yellow solid

#### References

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