# **Technical Data Sheet**

# **ROCK Inhibitor (Y-27632)**

#### **Product Information**

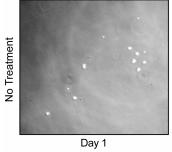
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Alternate Name: Y-27632 dihydrochloride

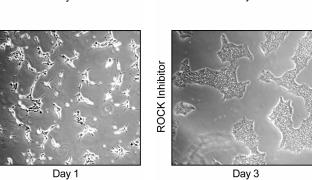
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#### Description

The ROCK inhibitor, Y-27632, is a selective inhibitor of the p160-Rho-associated coiled kinase (ROCK) and is a factor that enhances embryonic stem cell survival upon single cell dissociation. In addition to increasing cell recovery after dissociation, Y-27632 has been used for various other applications in stem cell research including cryopreservation, sorting, reprogramming, transplantation, and differentiation.



No Treatment
Day 3



ROCK inhibitor, Y-27632, improves the recovery of human embryonic stem cells (hESC) after fluorescence activated cell sorting. H9 hESC (WiCell, Madison, WI) were grown in mTESR™1 medium (StemCell Technologies) on BD Matrigel™ hESC-qualified Matrix (Cat. No. 354277), dissociated with BD™ Accutase™ Cell Detachment Solution (Cat. No. 561527), and sorted on a BD FACSAria™ II cell sorter based upon cell-surface expression of SSEA-3, TRA-1-81 and SSEA-1 using the BD Stemflow™ Human Pluripotent Stem Cell Sorting and Analysis Kit, (Cat. No. 560461). ROCK Inhibitor was either omitted or added for 24 hours post-sort. Bright-field images of the hESC at days 1 and 3 after sorting and culturing without or with ROCK Inhibitor are shown. Day 1, no treatment (Top left panel). Day 3, no treatment (Top right panel). Day 1, 10 µM Y-27632 treatment (Bottom left panel). Day 3, 10 µM Y-27632 treatment (Bottom right panel). For details please see Emre et al., 2010.

# **Preparation and Storage**

Store at room temperature, desiccated and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Store aliquots of the reconstituted material at -20°C, protected from prolonged exposure to light, and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

#### **Application Notes**

### Application

ROCK Inhibitor

Cell culture Tested During Development

# Recommended Assay Procedure:

For a working solution, dilute to 10 mM in sterile deionized water. [The molar mass of Y-27632 is 338.3 g/mol.] Small aliquots may be stored at -20°C, avoiding repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Use at 10 µM in culture medium. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.

## **Suggested Companion Products**

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
354277	BD Matrigel™ hESC-qualified Matrix	5.0 ml	(none)
560461	Human Pluripotent Stem Cell Sorting And Analysis Kit	50 tests	(none)
561527	Accutase™ Cell Detachment Solution	100 ml	(none)

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### **Product Notices**

- 1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
- 2. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
- 3. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.
- 4. mTESR<sup>TM</sup>1 is a trademark of StemCell Technologies.
- 5. Accutase is a registered trademark of Innovative Cell Technologies, Inc.

#### References

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