

Data Sheet

Product Name: Z-DEVD-FMK

 Cat. No.:
 CS-3454

 CAS No.:
 210344-95-9

 Molecular Formula:
 C₃₀H₄₁FN₄O₁₂

Molecular Weight: 668.66

Target: Caspase

Pathway: Apoptosis

Solubility: DMSO : \geq 50 mg/mL

BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY:

Z-DEVD-FMK is a specific and irreversible **caspase-3** inhibitor with an **IC**₅₀ of 18 μM^[1]. IC50 & Target: IC50: 18 μM (caspase-3)^[1] *In Vitro:* N27 cells are exposed to MPP⁺ in the absence or presence of 50 μM Z-DIPD-FMK or 100 μM Z-DEVD-FMK or 50 μM Z-LEHD-FMK and then caspase-9 and caspase-3 enzymatic activities are determined by enzymatic assay at 12 and 24 h following exposure, respectively. Exposure to 300 μM MPP⁺ for 24 h in N27 cells results in an approximately 2.5-fold increase in caspase-3 enzyme activity. MPP⁺-induced increases in caspase-3 enzyme activity are significantly blocked by 50 μM Z-DIPD-FMK, 100 μM Z-DEVD-FMK, and 50 μM Z-LEHD-FMK^[1]. *In Vivo:* Early Z-DEVD-FMK (160 ng) treatment improves motor and cognitive function after traumatic CNS injury induced by severe controlled cortical impact (CCI) in the mouse^[2]. Treatment with Z-DEVD-FMK (160 ng) significantly improves neurological outcome when compared with traumatized animals treated with DMSO vehicle (p<0.01)^[3].

PROTOCOL (Extracted from published papers and Only for reference)

Cell Assay: Z-DEVD-FMK is dissolved in DMSO and stored, and then diluted with appropriate media (DMSO 0.01%) before use^[1].^[1] N27 cells and primary mesencephalic neurons are exposed to either 10-100 μM 6-OHDA or 10-300 μM MPP⁺ in the presence or absence of 0.1-50 μM Z-DIPD-FMK or 0.1-100 μM Z-DEVD-FMK or 50 μM Z-IETD-FMK or Z-LEHD-FMK for the duration of the experiment. N27 cells are incubated with 100 μM 6-OHDA for 24 h or 300 μM MPP⁺ for 36 h in the presence or absence of 50 μM Z-DEVD-FMK and cell death is determined by MTT assay, which is widely used to assess cell viability. After treatment, the cells are incubated in serum-free medium containing 0.25 mg/mL MTT for 3 h at 37°C. Formation of formazan from tetrazolium is measured at 570 nm with a reference wavelength at 630 nm using a SpectraMax microplate reader^[1]. **Animal Administration:** Z-DEVD-FMK is dissolved in DMSO and diluted with appropriate solution.^{[2][3]}Mice^[2]

Male C57Bl/6 mice (20-25 g) are used. For treatment with Z-DEVD-fmk or vehicle after CCI, mice are placed in a stereotaxic apparatus, and the CCI wound is reopened for intracerebroventricular injection. Either Z-DEVD-FMK (160 ng in 2 μL DMSO), or DMSO vehicle is injected over a 5-minute period.

Rats^[3]

Male Sprague Dawley rats (425 ± 25 g) are used. DMSO ($5~\mu$ L) vehicle or Z-DEVD-FMK (160~ng in $5~\mu$ L of DMSO) is administered at a controlled rate of $0.5~\mu$ L/min via an infusion pump at 30 min before and at 6 and 24 hr after TBI. At the designated time periods after injury, animals are decapitated under NSC 10816 anesthesia (100~mg/kg, i.p.), and the brains are removed rapidly and dissected. Sham-operated (control) animals received anesthesia and surgery but are not subjected to trauma. Tissue samples are collected 1, 4, 12, 24, and 72~hr after TBI. Samples are frozen on dry ice and kept at -85° C.

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CAIndexNames:

 $L-Valinamide, N-[(phenylmethoxy)carbonyl]-L-\alpha-aspartyl-L-\alpha-glutamyl-N-[(1S)-3-fluoro-1-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl)-2-oxopropyl]-, 1,2-dimethyl ester (1S)-3-fluoro-1-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl)-2-oxopropyl]-, 1,2-dimethyl ester (1S)-3-fluoro-1-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl)-2-oxopropyl-, 1,2-dimethyl ester (1S)-3-fluoro-1-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl-)-2-oxopropyl-, 1,2-dimethyl ester (1S)-3-fluoro-1-(2-methoxy-2-oxoethyl-)-2-oxopropyl-, 1,2-dimethyl ester (1S)-3-fluoro-1-($

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