

## **Product Specification Sheet**

**Product Name:** VX-765

Catalog Number: C8976

**Technical information:** 

Chemical Formula: C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>33</sub>ClN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub>

CAS #: 273404-37-8

Molecular Weight: 509

Purity: > 98%

Appearance: white solid

Solubility: Soluble in DMSO up to 50 mM

Chemical Name: (S)-1-((S)-2-(4-amino-3-chlorobenzamido)-3,3-dimethylbutanoyl)-N-((2R,3S)-2-ethoxy-5-

oxotetrahydrofuran-3-yl)pyrrolidine-2-carboxamide

Storage: Store solid powder at 4°C desiccated; Store DMSO solution at -20°C.

Shelf Life: In the unopened package, powder is stable for 1 year and DMSO solution is stable for 6 months

under proper storage condition.

Handling: • To make 10 mM stock solution, add 0.196mL of DMSO for each mg of VX-765.

• For DMSO solution, briefly spin the vial at 500 rpm in a 50 mL conical tube to ensure maximum

/X-765

sample recovery.

**Biological Activity:** VX-765 is an orally-available prodrug of VRT-043198, an inhibitor of interleukin-converting enzyme

/ caspase-1 subfamily caspases. VRT-043198 shows Ki values of 0.8 nM and <0.6 nM for

ICE/caspase-1 and caspase-4, respectively, with >100-fold selectivity over other non-ICE subfamily

caspases. VRT-043198 showed no significant activity towards trypsin or cathepsin B. (1)

VRT-043198 inhibits IL-1b release from both PBMCs and whole blood with IC50 values of 0.67 and 1.9 uM, respectively. Additionally in stimulated PBMCs, VRT-043198 dose-dependently inhibited IL-1b, IL-18, and IFN-g, without affecting TNF-a release. In a hypoxia-induced apoptosis assay employing the NT2 human neuroblastoma cell line, VRT-043198 did not alter ischemia-induced

apoptosis up to concentrations of 100 uM. (1)

According to Vertex's news release, VX-765 has been shown to inhibit acute seizures in preclinical models of acute epilepsy and has shown activity in preclinical models of chronic epilepsy that do

not respond to standard anti-epileptic drugs. (2)

**Reference:** 1. Wannamaker et al., (S)-1-((S)-2-{[1-(4-Amino-3-chloro-phenyl)-methanoyl]-amino}-3,3-dimethyl-butanoyl)-pyrrolidine-2-carboxylic acid ((2R,3S)-2-ethoxy-5-oxo-tetrahydro-furan-3-yl)-amide (VX-765), an Orally

Available Selective Interleukin (IL)-Converting Enzyme/

Caspase-1 Inhibitor, Exhibits Potent Anti-Inflammatory Activities by Inhibiting the Release of IL-1b and IL-18.

J. Pharmacol. Exp. Ther. 2007, 321(2), 509-516. Pubmed ID: 17289835

2. http://investors.vrtx.com/releasedetail.cfm?ReleaseID=555967

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