

Product Introduction

Tivantinib (ARQ 197)

Tivantinib (ARQ 197) is the first non-ATP-competitive **c-Met** inhibitor with K_I of 0.355 μ M, little activity to Ron, and no inhibition to EGFR, InsR, PDGFRa or FGFR1/4. Phase 3.

Technical Data:

Molecular Weight (MW):	369.42	
Formula:	C ₂₃ H ₁₉ N ₃ O ₂	
Solubility (25°C)	DMSO 74 mg/mL	
* <1 mg/ml means slightly	Water <1 mg/mL	
soluble or insoluble:	Ethanol 40 mg/mL	
Purity:	>98%	
Storage:	3 years -20°C Powder	
	6 months-80℃in DMSO	
CAS No.:	905854-02-6	

Biological Activity

ARQ-197 has been shown to prevent HGF/c-met induced cellular responses in vitro. ARQ-197 possesses antitumor activity; inhibiting proliferation of A549, DBTRG and NCI-H441 cells with IC50 of 0.38, 0.45, 0.29 μ M. Treatment with ARQ-197 results in a decrease in phosphorylation of the MAPK signaling cascade and prevention of invasion and migration. In addition, ectopic expression of c-Met in NCI-H661, a cell line having no endogenous expression of c-Met, causes it to acquire an invasive phenotype that is also suppressed by ARQ-197. Although the addition of increasing concentrations of ARQ-197 does not

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significantly affect the K_m of ATP, exposure of c-Met to 0.5 μ M ARQ-197 decreased the V_{max} of c-Met by approximately 3-fold. The ability of ARQ-197 to decrease the V_{max} without affecting the Km of ATP confirmed that ARQ-197 inhibits c-Met through a non–ATP-competitive mechanism and may therefore account for its high degree of kinase selectivity. ARQ-197 prevents human recombinant c-Met with a calculated inhibitory constant K_i of approximately 355 nM. Although the highest concentration of ATP used is 200 μ M, the potency of ARQ-197 against c-Met is not reduced by using concentrations of ATP up to 1 mM. ARQ-197 blocks c-Met phosphorylation and downstream c-Met signaling pathways. ARQ-197 suppresses constitutive and ligand-mediated c-Met autophosphorylation and, by extension, c-Met activity, in turn leading to the inhibition of downstream c-Met effectors. ARQ-197 induction of caspase-dependent apoptosis is increased in c-Met–expressing human cancer cells including HT29, MKN-45, and MDA-MB-231 cells. [1][2]

All three xenograft models treated with ARQ-197 display reductions in tumor growth: 66% in the HT29 model, 45% in the MKN-45 model, and 79% in the MDA-MB-231 model. In these xenograft studies, no significant body weight changes following oral administration of ARQ-197 at 200 mg/kg are observed. Pharmacodynamically, the phosphorylation of c-Met in human colon xenograft tumors (HT29) is strongly inhibited by ARQ-197, as assessed by a dramatic reduction of c-Met autophosphorylation 24 hours after a single oral dose of 200 mg/kg of ARQ-197. This same dosage in mice exhibits that tumor xenografts are exposed to sustained plasma levels of ARQ-197, consistent with the observed pharmacodynamic inhibition of c-Met phosphorylation and inhibition of proliferation of c-Met harboring cancer cell lines. Plasma levels of ARQ-197 10 hours after dosing are determined to be 1.3 μ M, more than 3-fold above the biochemical inhibitory constant of ARQ-197 for c-Met. Therefore, ARQ-197 is able to suppress its target in vivo in the xenografted human tumor tissue. In conclusion, ARQ-197 inhibits the growth of c-Met-dependent xenografted human tumors.^[1]

The first selective c-Met inhibitor to be advanced into human clinical trials.

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