## **Supporting information**

In vitro characterisation of 6-methyl-3-(2-nitro-1-(thiophen-2-yl)ethyl)-2-phenyl-1*H*indole (ZCZ011) at the type 1 cannabinoid receptor: allosteric agonist or allosteric modulator?

Authors: Hayley M. Green<sup>a</sup>, David B. Finlay<sup>a</sup>, Ruth A. Ross<sup>b</sup>, Iain R. Greig<sup>c</sup>, Stephen B. Duffull<sup>d</sup>, Michelle Glass<sup>a</sup>\*

\*Corresponding author: Professor Michelle Glass, Department of Pharmacology and

Toxicology, University of Otago, PO Box 56, Dunedin, New Zealand 9054. +64 3 479 8524;

michelle.glass@otago.ac.nz

## **Author Information:**

<sup>a</sup>Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology, School of Biomedical Sciences, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand (HMG, DBF, MG);

<sup>b</sup>Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada (RAR);

<sup>c</sup>School of Medicine, Medical Sciences and Nutrition, University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, UK (IRG);

<sup>d</sup>Otago Pharmacometrics Group, School of Pharmacy, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand (SBD).

Figure S1: Allosteric agonism by ZCZ011 in HEK293 cells. (A) inhibition of cAMP stimulated by 5  $\mu$ M forskolin and a concentration series of ZCZ011, (B) dissociation of G<sub>ai3</sub> and G<sub>by</sub> subunits as determined by TRUPATH BRET assay stimulated by ZCZ011, and (C) translocation of β-arrestin-2 by ZCZ011. Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD of Figure S2: cAMP inhibition of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with ZCZ011 in HEK293-hCB<sub>1</sub> cells. Real time kinetic traces showing inhibition of cAMP stimulated by 5  $\mu$ M forskolin and AMB-FUBINACA (A) or THC (B) in the absence of ZCZ011, and THC in the presence of 1 µM (C), 100 nM (D), or 10 nM (E) ZCZ011. Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD of technical duplicates......4 Figure S3: G protein dissociation of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with ZCZ011 in HEK293-hCB<sub>1</sub> cells. Dissociation of  $G_{\alpha i3}$  and  $G_{\beta \gamma}$  subunits as determined by TRUPATH BRET assay stimulated with THC, CP55940, and AMB-FUBINACA alone (A, C, E) and in the presence of  $1 \,\mu M ZCZ011$  (B, D, F). Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean Figure S4: β-arrestin 1 translocation of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with **ZCZ011 in HEK293 cells.** Real-time kinetic traces showing translocation of  $\beta$ -arrestin 1 stimulated by THC, CP55940, and AMB-FUBINACA alone (A, D, G) and in combination with 10 µM (B, E, H) or 1 µM ZCZ011 (C, F, I). Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean Figure S5: β-arrestin 2 translocation of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with **ZCZ011 in HEK293 cells.** Real-time kinetic traces showing translocation of  $\beta$ -arrestin 2 stimulated by THC, CP55940, and AMB-FUBINACA alone (A, D, G) and in combination with 10 µM (B, E, H) or 1 µM ZCZ011 (C, F, I). Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean 



**Figure S1:** Allosteric agonism by ZCZ011 in HEK293 cells. (A) inhibition of cAMP stimulated by 5  $\mu$ M forskolin and a concentration series of ZCZ011, (B) dissociation of  $G_{\alpha i3}$  and  $G_{\beta\gamma}$  subunits as determined by TRUPATH BRET assay stimulated by ZCZ011, and (C) translocation of  $\beta$ -arrestin-2 by ZCZ011. Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD of technical duplicates/triplicates.



Figure S2: cAMP inhibition of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with ZCZ011 in HEK293-hCB<sub>1</sub> cells. Real time kinetic traces showing inhibition of cAMP stimulated by 5  $\mu$ M forskolin and AMB-FUBINACA (A) or THC (B) in the absence of ZCZ011, and THC in the presence of 1  $\mu$ M (C), 100 nM (D), or 10 nM (E) ZCZ011. Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD of technical duplicates.



Figure S3: G protein dissociation of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with ZCZ011 in HEK293-hCB<sub>1</sub> cells. Dissociation of  $G_{\alpha i \beta}$  and  $G_{\beta \gamma}$  subunits as determined by TRUPATH BRET assay stimulated with THC, CP55940, and AMB-FUBINACA alone (A, C, E) and in the presence of 1  $\mu$ M ZCZ011 (B, D, F). Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean ± SD of technical triplicates.



*Figure S4:*  $\beta$ -arrestin 1 translocation of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with ZCZ011 in HEK293 cells. Real-time kinetic traces showing translocation of  $\beta$ -arrestin 1 stimulated by THC, CP55940, and AMB-FUBINACA alone (A, D, G) and in combination with 10  $\mu$ M (B, E, H) or 1  $\mu$ M ZCZ011 (C, F, I). Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD of technical triplicates.



*Figure S5:*  $\beta$ -arrestin 2 translocation of orthosteric agonists alone and in combination with ZCZ011 in HEK293 cells. Real-time kinetic traces showing translocation of  $\beta$ -arrestin 2 stimulated by THC, CP55940, and AMB-FUBINACA alone (A, D, G) and in combination with 10  $\mu$ M (B, E, H) or 1  $\mu$ M ZCZ011 (C, F, I). Data is a representative biological replicate (n=5) and is expressed as mean  $\pm$  SD of technical triplicates.