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Fibroblast Growth Factor basic, human recombinant (rHuFGF-basic-Sf9)

Catalog No: 94957
Lot No: XXXXX
Source: Baculovirus
Synonyms: Prostatropin, HBGH-2, HBGF-2, FGF-2, FGF-b

Background

Basic fibroblast growth factor is a member of the fibroblast growth factor (FGF) family. FGF family members possess broad mitogenic and cell survival activities, and are involved in a variety of biological processes, including embryonic development, cell growth, morphogenesis, tissue repair, tumor growth and invasion. This protein functions as a modifier of endothelial cell migration and proliferation, as well as an angiogenic factor. It acts as a mitogen for a variety of mesoderm- and neuroectoderm-derived cells in vitro, thus is thought to be involved in organogenesis. Three alternatively spliced variants encoding different isoforms have been described. The heparin-binding growth factors are angiogenic agents in vivo and are potent mitogens for a variety of cell types in vitro. There are differences in the tissue distribution and concentration of these 2 growth factors.

Description

Fibroblast Growth Factor-2 (FGF-2) human recombinant produced in Sf9 insect cells is a single, glycosylated, polypeptide chain containing 155 amino acids and having a molecular mass of 17353 Dalton. FGF-basic is purified by proprietary chromatographic techniques.

Physical Appearance

Sterile filtered liquid formulation.

Formulation

The sterile protein solution (0.5 mg/ml) contains 20 mM Tris pH 7.9, 100 mM KCl, 1 mM DTT and 20% glycerol.

Stability

Fibroblast Growth Factor-basic, although stable at 4°C for 3 weeks, should be stored desiccated below -18°C. For long term storage it is recommended to add a carrier protein (0.1% HSA or BSA). Please prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

Purity

Greater than 98.0% as determined by (a) Analysis by RP-HPLC, (b) Analysis by SDS-PAGE.

Amino Acid Sequence

The sequence of the first five N-terminal amino acids was determined and was found to be Ala-Ala-Gly-Ser-Ile.

Activity

The ED50, calculated by the dose-dependant proliferation of BAF3 cells expressing FGF receptors (measured by 3H-thymidine uptake) is <0.5 ng/ml, corresponding to a specific activity of 2 MU/mg.

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