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Human Recombinant BMP-4, ACF

Bone morphogenetic protein 4

Catalog #100-2071 100 µg

Product Description

Bone morphogenetic protein 4 (BMP-4) is a member of the highly conserved transforming growth factor β (TGF-β) superfamily. Mature BMP-4 is a disulfide-linked homodimeric protein consisting of two 116-amino-acid residue subunits, and is generated by the proteolytic removal of the signal peptide and propeptides (Xiao et al.). BMP-4 binds to type I and type II receptors on cells. This binding results in the phosphorylation of receptor 1, which in turn results in the phosphorylation of Smad proteins, which then go on to act as transcription factors (Zhang et al.). BMPs have been shown to be key regulators of embryogenesis and are known to play a role in the growth and differentiation of various cell types, including embryonic stem (ES) cells, induced pluripotent stem (iPS) cells, mesenchymal cells, epithelial cells, hematopoietic cells, and neuronal cells (Chadwick et al.; Graham et al.; Jones et al.; Lengerke et al.; Zhang et al.). This product is animal component-free (ACF).

Product Information

Alternative Names: BMP-2B, BMP2B1, MCOPS6, OFC11, ZYME

Accession Number: P12644

Predicted Molecular Mass: 24 kDa (dimer)

Species: Human

Product Formulation: Lyophilized from a solution containing acetonitrile and trifluoroacetic acid.

Source: E. coli

Purity: ≥ 98% by SDS-PAGE

Specifications

Activity: The EC50 is approximately 0.72 ng/mL (~30.2 pM), as determined by the BMP-4 responsive luciferase reporter assay in transfected HEK293T cells.

Endotoxin Level: Measured by kinetic Limulus amebocyte lysate (LAL) analysis and is ≤ 0.1 EU/µg protein.

Preparation and Storage

Stability and Storage: Store at -20 to -80°C. Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.

Preparation: Centrifuge vial before opening. Reconstitute the product in 10 mM hydrochloric acid to at least 0.1 mg/mL by pipetting the solution down the sides of the vial. Do not vortex.

OPTIONAL: After reconstitution, if product will not be used immediately, dilute with concentrated bovine serum albumin (BSA) to a final BSA concentration of 0.1 - 1%. The effect of storage of stock solution on product performance should be tested for each application. As a general guide, do not store at -20 to -80°C for more than 12 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Data

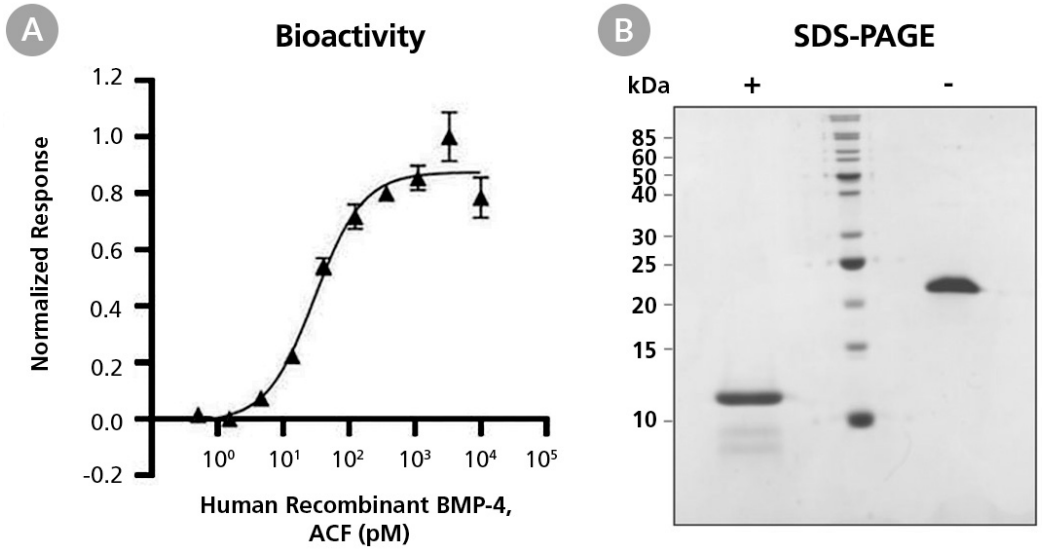

Figure 1. Biological Activity and Molecular Mass of Human Recombinant BMP-4, ACF

(A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant BMP-4, ACF was tested using a BMP4-responsive luciferase reporter assay in transfected HEK293T cells. Firefly luciferase activity was normalized to the control Renilla luciferase activity. The EC50 is defined as the effective concentration of the growth factor at which BMP-4 response is at 50% of maximum. The EC50 in the above example is 30.2 pM (0.72 ng/mL). (B) 3 µg of Human Recombinant BMP-4, ACF was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining. Human Recombinant BMP-4, ACF has a predicted molecular mass of 24 kDa (dimer).

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