

Cytokines

Human Recombinant VEGF-121, ACF

Vascular endothelial growth factor, animal component-free



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Catalog #	78158	10 µg
	78158.1	100 µg
	78158.2	1000 µg

Product Description

Vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF-121) is a naturally-occurring VEGF-A splice variant involved in embryonic vasculogenesis and angiogenesis. VEGF binds to VEGF receptor (VEGFR)-1 and VEGFR-2, and activates Raf/MEK/ERK and PI3K/AKT pathways. VEGF-121 is released as a freely diffusible protein by a variety of normal and transformed cells. It plays an important role in neurogenesis both in vitro and in vivo (Storkebaum et al.). It has neurotrophic effects on neurons of the central nervous system and promotes growth and survival of dopaminergic neurons and astrocytes. VEGF also promotes growth and survival of vascular endothelial cells, monocyte chemotaxis, and colony formation by granulocyte-macrophage progenitor cells (Ferrara et al.). VEGF-121 contains two polypeptide chains of 121 amino acids each. This product is animal component-free.

Product Information

Alternative Names:	MGC70609, MVCD-1, Vascular endothelial growth factor, Vascular endothelial growth factor 2, Vascular endothelial growth factor A, Vascular permeability factor, VEGF-A, VPF
Accession Number:	P15692-9
Amino Acid Sequence:	MPMAEGGGQN HHEVVKFMDV YQRSYCHPIE TLVDIFQEYP DEIEYIFKPS CVPLMRCGGC CNDEGLECVPT TEESNITMQI MRIKPHQGQH IGEMSFLQHN KCECRPKKDR ARQENCDKPR R
Predicted Molecular Mass:	14.1 kDa monomer; 28.3 kDa dimer
Species:	Human
Cross Reactivity:	Mouse
Formulation:	Lyophilized from a sterile-filtered aqueous solution containing 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid
Source:	E. coli

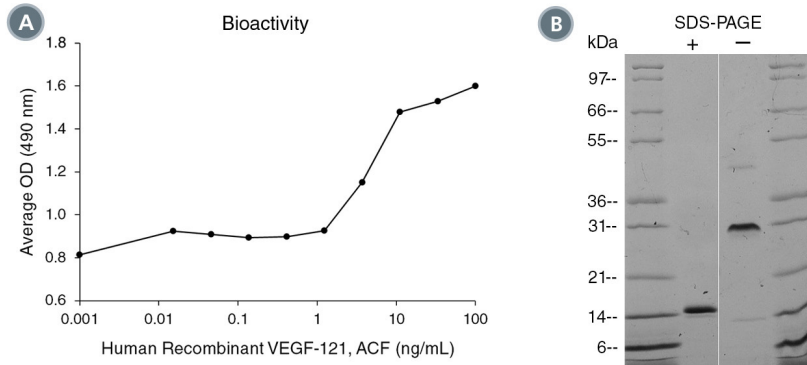
Specifications

Activity:	The specific activity is $\geq 2.0 \times 10^5$ units/mg ($EC_{50} \leq 5$ ng/mL) as determined by proliferation of HUVECs.
Purity:	$\geq 95\%$
Endotoxin Level:	Measured by kinetic Limulus amoebocyte lysate (LAL) analysis and is ≤ 1 EU/µg protein.

Preparation and Storage

Storage:	Store at -20°C to -80°C.
Stability:	Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.
Preparation:	Centrifuge vial before opening. Resuspend the product in sterile water containing 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) to at least 0.1 mg/mL by pipetting the solution down the sides of the vial. Do not vortex. Store at 2 - 8°C for up to 1 month or at -20°C to -80°C for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. NOTE: If reconstituted product will be used immediately, BSA is not required.

Data



(A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant VEGF-121, ACF was tested by the ability to promote the proliferation of HUVECs. Cell proliferation was measured after 88 hours of culture using a fluorometric assay method. The EC50 is defined as the effective concentration of the growth factor at which cell proliferation is at 50% of maximum. The EC50 in the example above is 4.02 ng/mL.

(B) Human Recombinant VEGF-121, ACF was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining.

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