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Certificate of Analysis and Data Sheet

Recombinant Human Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

Catalog No.
228-11615

Source
E. Coli

Synonyms

Vascular endothelial growth factor A, VEGF-A, Vascular permeability factor, VPF, VEGF, MGC70609.

Introduction

Vascular endothelial growth factor is an important signaling protein involved in both vasculogenesis and angiogenesis. As its name implies, VEGF activity has been mostly studied on cells of the vascular endothelium, although it does have effects on a number of other cell types (e.g. stimulation monocyte/macrophage migration, neurons, cancer cells, kidney epithelial cells). VEGF mediates increased vascular permeability, induces angiogenesis, vasculogenesis and endothelial cell growth, promotes cell migration, and inhibits apoptosis. In vitro, VEGF has been shown to stimulate endothelial cell mitogenesis and cell migration. VEGF is also a vasodilator and increases microvascular permeability and was originally referred to as vascular permeability factor.

Elevated levels of this protein is linked to POEMS syndrome, also known as Crow-Fukase syndrome. Mutations in this gene have been associated with proliferative and nonproliferative diabetic retinopathy.

Description

Recombinant Human VEGF produced in E.Coli is a double, non-glycosylated, polypeptide chain containing 165 amino acids and having a molecular mass of 38231 Dalton.

The VEGF is purified by proprietary chromatographic techniques.

Physical Appearance

Sterile Filtered White lyophilized (freeze-dried) powder.

Formulation

The protein was lyophilized from a concentrated (1mg/ml) solution with no additives.

Solubility

It is recommended to reconstitute the lyophilized Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor in sterile 18M Ω -cm H₂O not less than 100 μ g/ml, which can then be further diluted to other aqueous solutions.

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Stability

Lyophilized VEGF although stable at room temperature for 3 weeks, should be stored desiccated below -18°C. Upon reconstitution VEGF should be stored at 4 °C between 2-7 days and for future use below -18 °C.

For long term storage it is recommended to add a carrier protein (0.1% HSA or BSA).

Please avoid 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-Pro-Met-Ala-Glu.

Biological Activity

Determined by the dose-dependent stimulation of the proliferation of human umbilical vein endothelial cells (HUVEC) using a concentration range of 1.0-8.0 ng/ml.

Protein content

Protein quantitation was carried out by two independent methods:

- 1) UV spectroscopy at 280 nm using the absorbency value of 0.2875 as the extinction coefficient for a 0.1% (1mg/ml) solution. This value is calculated by the PC GENE computer analysis program of protein sequences (IntelliGenetics).
- 2) Analysis by RP-HPLC, using a calibrated solution of VEGF as a Reference Standard.

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