# **Cytokines**

#### **Human Recombinant FGF-8A**

Fibroblast growth factor 8A

Catalog # 78128 10 μg

78128.1 50 μg 78128.2 1000 μg



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## **Product Description**

Fibroblast growth factor 8A (FGF-8A) is a member of the fibroblast growth factor (FGF) family and is an isoform of FGF-8. FGF-8A binds the FGF receptor (FGFR) and activates Ras/MAPK signaling (Hulstrand & Houston). The FGF family possesses broad mitogenic and cell survival activities (Folkman & Klagsbrun; Kimelman & Kirschner) and is involved in a variety of biological processes, including cell proliferation, differentiation, survival, and apoptosis (Folkman & Klagsbrun; Klagsbrun; Rifkin & Moscatelli). FGF-8 RNA is spliced to produce 4 protein isoforms in humans: FGF-8B, FGF-8B, and FGF-8F. The functional differences are not fully understood; however, studies in zebrafish and Xenopus show that FGF-8A is required for endoderm morphogenesis and neurogenesis (Choe & Crump; Hulstrand & Houston).

### **Product Information**

Alternative Names: AIGF, AIGFKAL6, Androgen-induced growth factor, FGF8, FGF-8, Fibroblast growth factor 8 (androgen-

induced), Fibroblast growth factor 8, HBGF-8, Heparin-binding growth factor 8, MGC149376

Accession Number: P55075

Amino Acid Sequence: MQHVREQSLV TDQLSRRLIR TYQLYSRTSG KHVQVLANKR INAMAEDGDP FAKLIVETDT FGSRVRVRGA

ETGLYICMNK KGKLIAKSNG KGKDCVFTEI VLENNYTALQ NAKYEGWYMA FTRKGRPRKG SKTRQHQREV

HFMKRLPRGH HTTEQSLRFE FLNYPPFTRS LRGSQRTWAP EPR

Predicted Molecular Mass: 21.3 kDa Species: Human Cross Reactivity: Mouse

Formulation: Lyophilized after dialysis against phosphate-buffered saline.

Source: E. coli

## **Specifications**

Activity: The specific activity is  $\geq 2 \times 10^3$  units/mg (EC50  $\leq 500$  ng/mL) as determined by a cell proliferation assay

using 3T3 cells in the presence of 1  $\mu$ g/mL of heparin.

Purity:  $\geq 95\%$ 

Endotoxin Level: Measured by kinetic Limulus amebocyte lysate (LAL) analysis and is ≤ 0.2 EU/µg protein.

# Preparation and Storage

Storage: Store at -80°C.

Stability: Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.

Preparation: Centrifuge vial before opening. Resuspend the product in sterile water 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 2 weeks or at -20°C to -80°C for up

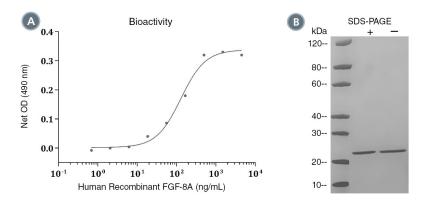
to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

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### Data



- (A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant FGF-8A was tested by its ability to promote the proliferation of 3T3 cells in the presence 1 μg/ml of heparin. Cell proliferation was measured 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 less than 500 ng/mL.
- (B) 2 µg of Human Recombinant FGF-8A was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining.

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