

Recombinant Human IGF-I

(rhIGF-I)

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Description

The IGFs are mitogenic polypeptide growth factors that stimulate the proliferation and survival of various cell types including muscle, bone, and cartilage tissue *in vitro*. The liver predominantly produces IGFs, although a variety of tissues produce the IGFs at distinctive times. The IGFs belong to the insulin gene family, which also contains insulin and relaxin. The IGFs are similar by structure and function to insulin, but have a much higher growth-promoting activity than insulin. IGF-II expression is influenced by placenta lactogen, while IGF-I expression is regulated by growth hormone. Both IGF-I and IGF-II signal through the tyrosine kinase type I receptor (IGF-IR), but, IGF-II can also signal through the IGF-II/Mannose-6-phosphate receptor. Proteolytic processing of inactive precursor proteins, which contain N-terminal and C-terminal propeptide regions, generates mature IGFs. Recombinant human IGF-I and IGF-II are globular proteins containing 70 and 67 amino acids, respectively, and 3 intra-

molecular disulfide bonds.

Synonyms IGF1, IGF-1, IGF1, IGF1A, Somatamedin C, Mechano growth factor

AA Sequence GPETLCGAEL VDALQFVCGD RGFYFNKPTG YGSSSRRAPQ TGIVDECCFR

SCDLRRLEMY CAPLKPAKSA

Source Escherichia coli

Molecular Weight Approximately 7.6 kDa, a single non-glycosylated polypeptide chain containing 70 amino

acids.

Purity >95% by SDS-PAGE and HPLC analyses.

Biological Activity Fully biologically active. The ED₅₀ is < 2.0 ng/ml, corresponding to a specific activity of > 5 x

10⁵ units/mg, as determined by FDC-P1 cell proliferation.

Physical Appearance White lyophilized powder.

Formulation Lyophilized from a 0.2µm filtered concentrated (1mg/ml) solution in PBS, pH 7.4.

Endotoxin $< 1EU/\mu g$ of growth factor as determined by LAL method.

Reconstitution Reconstitute in sterile distilled water containing 0.1% BSA to a concentration of 0.1-1.0

mg/mL.

Storage Storage Store at -20°C after receiving. Upon reconstitution, store at 2-8°C for up to one week. For

maximal stability, aliquot and store at -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze/ thaw cycles.

Usage This product is for research use only. It is not approved for use in humans, animals, or *in vitro*

diagnostic procedures.