

DESCRIPTION

Source	<i>E. coli</i> -derived human BMP-4 protein Lys303-Arg408 Accession # P12644.1 Produced in an animal-free laboratory. Manufactured and tested under cGMP guidelines
N-terminal Sequence Analysis	Identity was confirmed by mass spectrometry
Structure / Form	Disulfide-linked homodimer
Predicted Molecular Mass	12 kDa

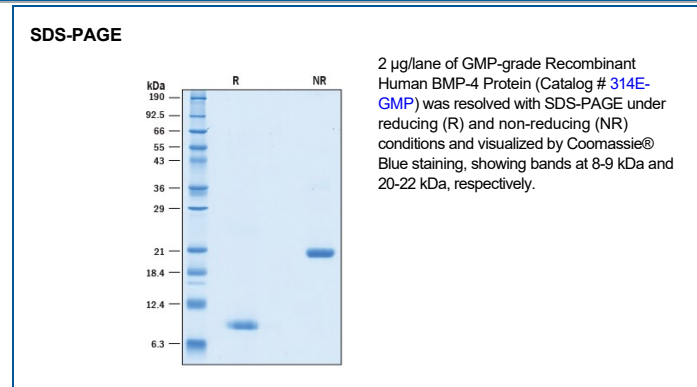
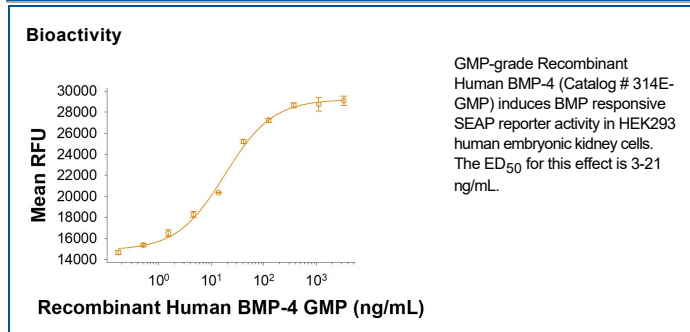
SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE	8-9 kDa, reducing conditions
Activity	Measured by its ability to induce BMP responsive SEAP reporter activity in HEK293 human embryonic kidney cells. The ED ₅₀ for this effect is 3-21 ng/mL.
Endotoxin Level	<0.10 EU per 1 µg of the protein by the LAL method.
Purity	>95%, by SDS-PAGE visualized with Silver Staining and quantitative densitometry by Coomassie® Blue Staining.
Host Cell Protein	<0.5 ng per µg of protein when tested by ELISA.
Mycoplasma	Negative when tested in a ribosomal RNA hybridization assay.
Host Cell DNA	<0.0015 ng per µg of protein when tested by PCR.
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in Acetonitrile and TFA. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution	Reconstitute at 50-200 µg/mL in sterile 4 mM HCl.
Shipping	The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.
Stability & Storage	<p>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of 12 months when stored at ≤ -20 °C as supplied. Refer to lot specific COA for the Use by Date. • 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution. • 3 months, ≤ -65 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

DATA



BACKGROUND

Bone morphogenetic protein 4 (BMP-4) is a TGF-beta superfamily ligand that is widely expressed from early embryogenesis through adulthood. It plays an important role in mesenchyme formation, epidermal determination, suppression of neural induction, the development of multiple organs, and tissue repair (1-5). It is an integral part of many stem cell differentiation pathways, including lung tissue, (6), adipogenesis (7) and osteogenesis (8, 9). The human BMP-4 precursor contains a 273 amino acid (aa) propeptide and a 116 amino acid (aa) mature protein (10). Processing of the propeptide by furin or proprotein convertase 6 enables the formation of the mature disulfide-linked homodimeric BMP-4 and facilitates its secretion. Similar intracellular processes may lead to the formation and recreation of BMP4/BMP7 disulfide-linked heterodimer (11-13). Mature human and mouse BMP-4 share 98% aa sequence identity. Human BMP-4 shares 85% aa sequence identity with human BMP-2 and less than 50% with other human BMPs. In *Xenopus*, BMP-4 dimers provide ventralizing signals for existing mesoderm (14). BMP-4 signals through tetrameric complexes composed of type I (primarily Activin RIA or BMPRI-A) and type II (primarily Activin RIIA or BMPRII) receptors (15, 16). The bioavailability of BMP-4 is regulated by its interaction with multiple proteins and glycosaminoglycans (17-19).

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- Host Cell Protein testing performed by ELISA
- Mycoplasma testing by ribosomal RNA hybridization assay

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