

**DESCRIPTION**

**Source** Chinese Hamster Ovary cell line, CHO-derived  
Ser320-Arg429  
Accession # Q9UK05

**N-terminal Sequence Analysis** Ser320

**Structure / Form** Disulfide-linked homodimer

**Predicted Molecular Mass** 12.1 kDa (monomer)

**SPECIFICATIONS**

**SDS-PAGE** 13 kDa, reducing conditions

**Activity** Measured by its ability to induce alkaline phosphatase production by ATDC5 mouse chondrogenic cells. Nakamura, K. *et al.* (1999) Exp. Cell Res. **250**:351.  
The ED<sub>50</sub> for this effect is typically 0.4-1.6 ng/mL.

**Endotoxin Level** <0.01 EU per 1 µg of the protein by the LAL method.

**Purity** >95%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.

**Formulation** Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in Acetonitrile and TFA with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

**Reconstitution** Reconstitute at 10 µg/mL in sterile 4 mM HCl containing at least 0.1% human or bovine serum albumin.

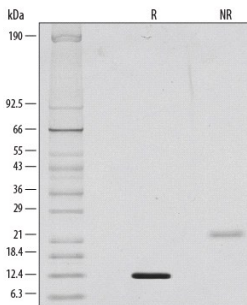
**Shipping** The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.

**Stability & Storage** Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

- 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.
- 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.
- 3 months, -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

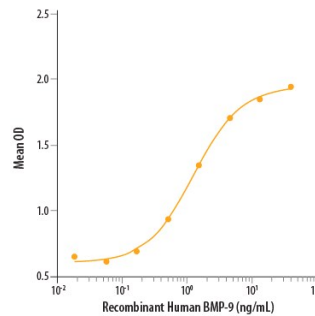
**DATA**

**SDS-PAGE**



1 µg/lane of Recombinant Human BMP-9 was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (R) and non-reducing (NR) conditions and visualized by silver staining, showing single bands at 13 kDa and 23 kDa, respectively.

**Bioactivity**



Recombinant Human BMP-9 (Catalog # 3209-BP) induces alkaline phosphatase production in the ATDC5 mouse chondrogenic cell line. The ED<sub>50</sub> for this effect is typically 0.4-1.6 ng/mL.

**BACKGROUND**

Human BMP-9, also known as growth and differentiation factor 2 (GDF-2), is a member of the BMP subgroup of the TGF- $\beta$  superfamily proteins that signal through heterodimeric complexes composed of type I and type II BMP receptors. BMP-9 regulates the development and function of a variety of embryonal and adult tissues (1, 2). The human BMP-9 cDNA encodes a 429 amino acid (aa) precursor that includes a 22 aa signal sequence, a 298 aa propeptide, and a 111 aa mature protein (3). Unlike with other BMP family proteins, the propeptide does not interfere with the biological activity of BMP-9 and remains associated with the mature peptide after proteolytic cleavage (4). Human and mouse BMP-9 share 96% aa sequence identity. Within the mature protein, human BMP-9 shares 64% aa sequence identity with human BMP-10 and less than 50% aa sequence identity with other BMPs. BMP-9 is expressed by non-parenchymal cells in the liver, (5, 6) where it promotes lipid metabolism and inhibits glucose production (7). BMP-9 exerts a prolonged hypoglycemic effect which may be due to an enhancement of insulin release (7). BMP-9 interacts with a high affinity specific heteromeric receptor expressed on liver endothelial cells that has been identified as ALK-1 (4 - 6). In the embryonal CNS, BMP-9 functions in the development and maintenance of the cholinergic neuronal phenotype (8 - 10). BMP-9 also induces the differentiation of mesenchymal stem cells into the chondrogenic lineage (11, 12). At low concentrations, BMP-9 is a proliferative factor for hematopoietic progenitor cells, but at higher concentrations, it enhances TGF- $\beta$ 1 production and inhibits hematopoietic progenitor colony formation (13).

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