

DESCRIPTION

Source Mouse myeloma cell line, NS0-derived
Gly23-Pro625, with a C-terminal 6-His tag
Accession # NP_002151

N-terminal Sequence Analysis Gly23

Predicted Molecular Mass 65.3 kDa

SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE 97 kDa, reducing conditions

Activity Measured by the ability of the immobilized protein to block Fibronectin-mediated adhesion of NIH-3T3 mouse embryonic fibroblast cells. rhTenascin-C immobilized at 15 µg/mL, in the presence of 0.1 µg/mL human Fibronectin, will block approximately 70%-90% NIH3/T3 cell adhesion (5 x 10⁴ cells/well, 100 µL/well).

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.

Formulation Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution Reconstitute at 500 µg/mL in sterile PBS.

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, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

BACKGROUND

Tenascin C, also known as hexabrachion, cytotactin, neuronectin, GMEM, JI, myotendinous antigen, glioma-associated-extracellular matrix antigen, and GP 150-225, is a member of the Tenascin family of extracellular matrix proteins. It is secreted as a disulfide-linked homohexamer whose subunits can vary in size from approximately 200 kDa to over 300 kDa due to differences in glycosylation (1). Rotary-shadowed electron micrographs of the purified molecule show six strands joined to one another at one end in a globular domain with each arm terminating in a knob-like structure (2-3). The human Tenascin C monomer is synthesized as a precursor with a 22 amino acid (aa) signal sequence and a 2179 aa mature chain (SwissProt # P24821). The mature chain consists of a coiled-coil region (aa 118-145), followed by 15 EGF-like domains, 15 fibronectin type-III domains, and a fibrinogen C-terminal domain. In addition, there are 23 potential sites of N-linked glycosylation. Alternative splicing within the fibronectin type-III repeats produces six isoforms for human Tenascin C. Mature human Tenascin C (isoform 1) shares 84% aa sequence identity with mature mouse Tenascin C. In the developing embryo, Tenascin C is expressed during neural, skeletal, and vascular morphogenesis (1, 2). In the adult, it virtually disappears with continued basal expression detectable only in tendon-associated tissues (1, 2). However, great up-regulation in expression occurs in tissues undergoing remodeling processes seen during wound repair and neovascularization or in pathological states such as inflammation or tumorigenesis (1, 4-5). Biologically, Tenascin C functions as an adhesion-modulatory extracellular matrix protein (1, 4-8). Specifically, it antagonizes the adhesive effects of fibronectin, and impacts the ability of fibroblasts to deposit and contract the matrix by affecting the morphology and signaling pathways of adherent cells (5-7). Tenascin C acts by blocking syndecan-4 binding at the edges of the wound and by suppressing fibronectin-mediated activation of RhoA and focal adhesion kinase (FAK) (4-8). Tenascin C thus promotes epidermal cell migration and proliferation during wound repair.

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