

DESCRIPTION

## **Recombinant Mouse R-Spondin 3**

Catalog Number: 4120-RS

Source	Chinese Hamster Ovary cell line, CHO-derived
	Met1-His277
	Accession # Q2TJ95
N-terminal Sequence Analysis	Met33
Predicted Molecular Mass	28.9 kDa
SPECIFICATIONS	
SDS-PAGE	37-43 kDa, reducing conditions
Activity	Measured by its ability to induce Topflash reporter activity in HEK293T human embryonic kidney cells.  The ED <sub>50</sub> for this effect is 0.25-1 ng/mL in the presence of 5 ng/mL Recombinant Mouse Wnt-3a (Catalog # 1324-WN).
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 with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details.
PREPARATION AND S	TORAGE
Reconstitution	Reconstitute at 200 μg/mL in 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.

## BACKGROUND

R-Spondin 3 (RSPO3, roof plate-specific spondin 3), also called cysteine-rich and single thrombospondin domain containing-1 (Cristin 1), is an ~31 kDa secreted protein that shares ~40% aa identity with the other three R-Spondin family members (1, 2). All are positive modulators of Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin signaling, but each has a distinct expression pattern (1-4). Like other R-spondins, R-Spondin 3 contains two adjacent cysteine-rich furin-like domains (amino acids (aa) 35-135) with one potential N-glycosylation site (aa 36), followed by a thrombospondin (TSP-1) motif (aa 147-207) and a region rich in basic residues (aa 211-269). Only the furin-like domains are needed for  $\beta$ -catenin stabilization (2). Within aa 21-209, mouse R-Spondin 3 shares 93%, 97%, 96%, 95% and 91% aa identity with human, rat, equine, bovine and canine R-Spondin 3, respectively. Potential isoforms of 217, 224 and 252 aa are divergent or truncated at the C terminus; the 252 aa form also lacks aa 4-33 at the N-terminus (5). Mouse R-Spondin 3 is critical for development of the placental labyrinthine layer, probably by promoting VEGF expression and thus vascular development (6, 7). It is also essential for expression of the placenta-specific transcription factor, Gcm1. In the mouse embryo, R-Spondin 3 is often expressed by or located near endothelial cells (6). It is found in the roof plate, tail, somites, otic vesicles, cephalic mesoderm, truncus arteriosus, atrioventricular canal of the developing heart, and strongly but transiently in developing limbs (4, 7). R-Spondins regulate Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin by competing with the Wnt antagonist DKK-1 for binding to the Wnt co-receptors LRP-6 and Kremen, reducing their DKK-1-mediated internalization (8, 9). Reports differ on whether R-Spondins bind LRP-6 directly (8-10).

• 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution

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