

DESCRIPTION

Source Chinese Hamster Ovary cell line, CHO-derived
Ile19-Leu460 (pro) & Ala42-Leu460 (mature), both with a C-terminal 10-His tag
Accession # P33587

N-terminal Sequence Analysis Ile19 & Ala42

Structure / Form Pro and Mature forms

Predicted Molecular Mass 49 kDa (Pro) & 48 kDa (Mature)

SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE 70 kDa, reducing conditions

Activity Measured by its ability to cleave the fluorogenic peptide substrate, Boc-β-benzyl-DPR-AMC.
The specific activity is >125 pmol/min/μg, as measured under the described conditions.

Endotoxin Level <1.0 EU per 1 μg of the protein by the LAL method.

Purity >90%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.

Formulation Supplied as a 0.2 μm filtered solution in Sodium Acetate and NaCl. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

Activity Assay Protocol

- Materials**
- Activation Buffer: 50 mM Tris, 10 mM CaCl₂, 150 mM NaCl, 0.05% (w/v) Brij-35, pH 7.5 (TCNB)
 - Assay Buffer: 50 mM Tris, 10 mM CaCl₂, 150 mM NaCl, 0.01% (w/v) Brij-35, pH 8.5
 - Recombinant Mouse Coagulation Factor XIV/Protein C (rmPROC) (Catalog # 4885-SE)
 - Bacterial Thermolysin (Thermolysin) (Catalog # 3097-ZN)
 - 1,10 phenanthroline (Sigma, Catalog # 320056), 0.6 M stock in DMSO
 - Substrate: BOC-β-benzyl-Asp-Pro-Arg-AMC (Bachem, Catalog # I-1560), 10 mM in DMSO
 - F16 Black Maxisorp Plate (Nunc, Catalog # 475515)
 - Fluorescent Plate Reader (Model: SpectraMax Gemini EM by Molecular Devices) or equivalent

- Assay**
1. Dilute rmPROC to 200 μg/mL in Activation Buffer.
 2. Dilute Thermolysin to 10 μg/mL in Activation Buffer.
 3. Combine 25 μL of the diluted rmPROC and 25 μL of the diluted Thermolysin.
 4. Incubate at 37 °C for 2 hours.
 5. Dilute 1,10 phenanthroline to 5 mM in Assay Buffer.
 6. Add 200 μL of 5 mM 1,10 phenanthroline to the reaction mixtures to stop the Thermolysin activation.
 7. Dilute rmPROC to 2 μg/mL in Assay Buffer.
 8. Dilute Substrate to 200 μM in Assay Buffer.
 9. Load 50 μL of 2 μg/mL rmPROC into a plate, and start the reaction by adding 50 μL of 200 μM Substrate.
 10. Include a Substrate Blank containing 50 μL Assay Buffer and 50 μL of 200 μM Substrate.
 11. Read at excitation and emission wavelengths of 380 nm and 460 nm (top read), respectively, in kinetic mode for 5 minutes.
 12. Calculate specific activity:

$$\text{Specific Activity (pmol/min/}\mu\text{g)} = \frac{\text{Adjusted } V_{\text{max}}^* \text{ (RFU/min)} \times \text{Conversion Factor}^{**} \text{ (pmol/RFU)}}{\text{amount of enzyme (}\mu\text{g)}}$$

*Adjusted for Substrate Blank

**Derived using calibration standard 7-Amino, 4-Methyl Coumarin (AMC) (Sigma, Catalog # A-9891).

- Final Assay Conditions**
- Per Well:
- rmPROC: 0.100 μg
 - Substrate: 100 μM

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Shipping The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.

- Stability & Storage** Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- 6 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.
 - 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after opening.

BACKGROUND

Protein C is a vitamin K-dependent serine protease synthesized in the liver as a single-chain precursor, which is then proteolytically processed to two disulfide-linked chains (1). The light chain consists of a Gla (gamma-carboxy-glutamate) domain and two EGF-like domains. The heavy chain consists of an activation peptide (aa 199-212) and serine protease domain (aa 213-449). Physiologically, Protein C is converted to the active form by thrombin, which releases the activation peptide. Protein C plays a key role in anticoagulation, cleaving factors VIIIa and Va to inactivate them. This anticoagulation activity can be enhanced by a presence of a cofactor such as protein S. In hereditary thrombophilia, Protein C deficiency is caused by a genetic mutation that affects Protein C activity. A severe recessive form may result in massive thrombosis fatal to patient.

References:

1. Shen, L. and Dahlbäck, B. (2004) in *Handbook of Proteolytic Enzymes*, Barrett, A.J. *et al.* eds. pp. 1673.