

Recombinant Human Afamin His-tag

Catalog Number: 8065-AF

DESCRIPTION	
Source	Human embryonic kidney cell, HEK293-derived human Afamin protein Leu22-Asn599, with a C-terminal 6-His tag Accession # P43652
N-terminal Sequence Analysis	Leu22
Predicted Molecular Mass	67 kDa

SPECIFICATIONS	
SDS-PAGE	71-80 kDa
Activity	Measured by its ability to bind Biotinylated Recombinant Mouse Wnt-3a (Catalog # BT1324) in a functional ELISA. The ED ₅₀ for this effect is
	0.8-6.4 μg/mL.
Endotoxin Level	<0.10 EU per 1 μ g 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 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

AFM (Afamin; also known as Alpha -Albumin) is a secreted monomeric glycoprotein of the Alb/Albumin family of molecules. It is expressed by hepatocytes (1), CNS endothelial cells (2) and osteoclasts (3), and circulates in the blood at low µg/mL concentrations. AFM is known to bind and transport vitamin E family molecules, playing an important role for transporting at the blood-brain-barrier (2). It also plays a role in maintaining solubility for transporting Wht proteins (4, 5). AFM also serves as an osteoclast-derived chemoattractant for preosteoblasts, providing a rational for the observation that bone formation often follows bone resorption (3). Mature human AFM is 578 amino acids (aa) in length (aa 22-599). It contains three consecutive albumin domains (aa 36-206, aa 211-403 and aa 404-599) that contain a characteristic 5 or 6 intrachain disulfide bonds. Full-length human AFM shares 66% aa sequence identity with mouse AFM and 67% aa sequence identity with rat AFM. The importance of Afamin in transport of molecules has led to a suggested diagnostic role in various diseases, including pre-eclampsia (6), ovarian cancer (7), and both gestational and type-2 diabetes (8, 9).

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