

Catalog Number: 959-ME

| Source                          | Mouse myeloma cell line, NS0-derived mouse Erythropoietin/EPO protein<br>Ala27-Arg192 |
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|                                 | Accession # Q0VED9  |
| N-terminal Sequence<br>Analysis | Ala27   |
| Predicted Molecular<br>Mass     | 18.6 kDa  |

| SPECIFICATIONS  |   |
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| SDS-PAGE        | 36 kDa, reducing conditions   |
| Activity        | Measured in a cell proliferation assay using TF-1 human erythroleukemic cells. Kitamura, T. <i>et al</i> . (1989) J. Cell Physiol. <b>140</b> :323.<br>The ED <sub>50</sub> for this effect is 0.4-2 ng/mL. |
| Endotoxin Level | <0.10 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     | Lyophilized from a 0.2 μm filtered solution in PBS with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details.  |

| PREPARATION AND STORAGE |  |
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| Reconstitution          | Reconstitute at 100 µg/mL in sterile PBS 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     | <ul> <li>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</li> <li>12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.</li> <li>1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> <li>3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul> |

## BACKGROUND

Erythropoietin (EPO) is a 34 kDa glycoprotein hormone in the type I cytokine family and is related to thrombopoietin (1). Its three N-glycosylation sites, four alpha helices, and N- to C-terminal disulfide bond are conserved across species (2, 3). Glycosylation of (EPO is required for biological activities in vivo (4). Mature mouse (EPO shares 95% amino acid sequence identity with rat (EPO and 73%-82% with bovine, canine, equine, feline, human, ovine, and porcine EPO. Epo is primarily produced in the kidney by a population of fibroblast-like cortical interstitial cells adjacent to the proximal tubules (5). It is also produced in much lower, but functionally significant amounts by fetal hepatocytes and in adult liver and brain (6-8). (EPO promotes erythrocyte formation by preventing the apoptosis of early erythroid precursors which express the (EPO receptor (EPO R) (8, 9). (EPO R has also been described in brain, retina, heart, skeletal muscle, kidney, endothelia cells, and a variety of tumor cells (7, 8, 10, 11). Ligand induced dimerization of (EPO R triggers JAK2-mediated signaling pathways followed by receptor/ligand endocytosis and degradation (1, 12). Rapid regulation of circulating (EPO allows tight control of erythrocyte production and hemoglobin concentrations. Anemia or other causes of low tissue oxygen tension induce (EPO production by stabilizing the hypoxia-induceable transcription factors HIF-1α and HIF-2α (1, 6). (EPO additionally plays a tissue-protective role in ischemia by blocking apoptosis and inducing angiogenesis (7, 8, 13).

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