

Zebrafish VEGF Antibody

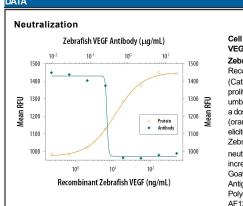
Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Goat IgG Catalog Number: AF1247

DESCRIPTION			
Species Reactivity	Zebrafish		
Specificity	Detects zebrafish VEGF in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In Western blots, less than 2% cross-reactivity with recombinant human VEGF ₁₆₅ , recombinant mouse VEGF ₁₆₄ , and recombinant rat VEGF ₁₆₄ (under non-reducing conditions) is observed.		
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG		
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified		
Immunogen	S. frugiperda insect ovarian cell line Sf 21-derived recombinant zebrafish VEGF ₁₆₅ Ala24-Arg188 Accession # O73682		
Endotoxin Level	<0.10 EU per 1 μg of the antibody by the LAL method.		
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied either lyophilized or as a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS.		

APPLICATIONS

Please Note: Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. General Protocols are available in the Technical Information section on our website.

	Recommended Concentration	Sample
Western Blot	0.1 μg/mL	Recombinant Zebrafish VEGF ₁₆₅ (Catalog # 1247-ZV)
Neutralization	Measured by its ability to neutralize VEGF ₁₆₅ -induced proliferation in HUVEC human umbilical vein endothelial cells. The Neutralization Dose (ND ₅₀) is typically 0.3-0.6 μg/mL in the presence of 80 ng/mL Recombinant Zebrafish VEGF ₁₆₅ .	



Cell Proliferation Induced by VEGF₁₆₅ and Neutralization by Zebrafish VEGF Antibody.

Recombinant Zebrafish VEGF 165 (Catalog # 1247-ZV) stimulates proliferation in HUVEC human umbilical vein endothelial cells in a dose-dependent manner (orange line). Proliferation elicited by Recombinant Zebrafish VEGF 165 (80 ng/mL) is neutralized (green line) by increasing concentrations of Goat Anti-Zebrafish VEGF Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF1247). The ND₅₀ is typically 0.3-0.6 µg/mL.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.

Shipping

The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.

*Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C

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





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BACKGROUND

Vascular endothelial growth factor (VEGF), also known as vascular permeability factor (VPF) and VEGF-A, is a potent mediator of both angiogenesis and vasculogenesis in the fetus and adult. It is a member of the PDGF family that is characterized by the presence of eight conserved cysteine residues. In human, at least eight alternate splice isoforms of VEGF-A, ranging from 206 amino acids (aa) to 121 aa in length, are known. In zebrafish, two VEGF isoforms, a 165 aa and a 121 aa isoform, have been reported. Mature zebrafish VEGF₁₆₅ shares 64%, 62% and 62% aa sequence identity with frog, human, and mouse VEGF₁₆₅, respectively. There are two tyrosine kinase receptors for VEGF reported in mammals termed VEGF R1 and VEGF R2/FLK-1. One receptor has been identified in zebrafish (FLK-1), and this may actually represent the orthologue to the early common ancestor for mammalian VEGF R1 and R2. All receptors are type I transmembrane proteins that show seven immunoglobulin-like domains extracellularly and a split kinase domain intracellularly. In addition to the tyrosine kinase receptors, neuropilin-1 (NRP-1) has been reported to be a coreceptor for VEGF binding. It is proposed that the presence of NRP-1 lowers the concentration of VEGF necessary for activation of VEGF R2. NRP-1 has been reported in both zebrafish and human. VEGF regulates multiple biological functions in endothelial cells, including cell proliferation, migration and survival. These functions of VEGF are mediated partly through the induction of nitric oxide and prostacyclin, as well as up-regulation of metalloproteinases. Together with other vascular-specific growth factors such as the Angiopoietins, VEGF have separate but complementary roles in angiogenesis and vasculogenesis (1-7).

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