

SFRP4 Protein, Human, Recombinant (His)

General Information

Synonyms:	secreted frizzled-related protein 4;FRPHE;FRP-4;sFRP-4
Protein Construction:	A DNA sequence encoding the human SFRP4 (NP_003005.2) (Met1-VAL346) was expressed with a polyhistidine tag at the C-terminus. Predicted N terminal: Ala 22
Species:	Human
Expression Host:	CHO Cells
Accession:	Q6FHJ7
Molecular Weight:	39 kDa (predicted)

QC Testing

Biological Activity:	Measured by its ability to inhibit Wnt3a-induced alkaline phosphatase production by C3H10T 1/2 2A6 mouse embryonal fibroblast cells. The ED50 for this effect is typically 2-20 µg/mL in the presence of 20 ng/mL of Wnt3a.
Purity:	> 95 % as determined by SDS-PAGE.
Endotoxin:	< 1.0 EU/µg of the protein as determined by the LAL method.
Formulation:	Lyophilized from a solution filtered through a 0.22 µm filter, containing PBS, pH 7.4. Typically, a mixture containing 5% to 8% trehalose, mannitol, and 0.01% Tween 80 is incorporated as a protective agent before lyophilization.

Preparation and Storage

Reconstitution:
A Certificate of Analysis (CoA) containing reconstitution instructions is included with the products. Please refer to the CoA for detailed information.

Stability & Storage:

It is recommended to store recombinant proteins at -20°C to -80°C for future use. Lyophilized powders can be stably stored for over 12 months, while liquid products can be stored for 6-12 months at -80°C. For reconstituted protein solutions, the solution can be stored at -20°C to -80°C for at least 3 months. Please avoid multiple freeze-thaw cycles and store products in aliquots.

Actual storage temperature shall be subject to the CoA.

Shipping:

In general, lyophilized powders are shipped with blue ice, while solutions are shipped with dry ice.

Protein Background

SFRP family consists of five secreted glycoproteins in humans acting as extracellular signaling ligands. Each is approximately 3 amino acids in length and contains a cysteine-rich domain (CRD) that shares 3-5% sequence homology with the CRD of Frizzled (Fz) receptors, a putative signal sequence, and a conserved hydrophilic carboxy-terminal domain. SFRPs act as soluble modulators of Wnt signaling, counteracting Wnt-induced effects at

high concentrations and promoting them at lower concentrations. SFRPs are able to bind Wnt proteins and Fz receptors in the extracellular compartment. The interaction between SFRPs and Wnt proteins prevents the latter from binding the Fz receptors. The Wnt pathway plays a key role in embryonic development, cell differentiation and cell proliferation. SFRP4 is a member of the SFRP family that contains a cysteine-rich domain homologous to the putative Wnt-binding site of Frizzled proteins called FZ domain and a NTR domain. Mouse SFRP4 is highly expressed in the ovary, and is localized to granulosa cells of periovulatory follicles and corpora lutea. It plays a critical role in placental development and implantation, and is also an important factor in the development of the decidual fibrinoid zone, and in trophoblast apoptosis.

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