

FGF-21 Protein, Human, Recombinant (Low Endotoxin)

General Information

Synonyms:	UNQ3115 / PRO10196;fibroblast growth factor 21
Protein Construction:	A DNA sequence encoding the Human FGF21 (NP_061986.1) (His29-Ser209) was expressed. Predicted N terminal: Met
Species:	Human
Expression Host:	E. coli
Accession:	NP_061986.1
Molecular Weight:	19.55 kDa (predicted); 22.4 kDa (reducing conditions)

QC Testing

Biological Activity:	Measured in a cell proliferation assay using NIH-3T3 mouse embryonic fibroblast cells. The ED50 for this effect is 0.1-0.6 µg/mL in the presence of Recombinant Mouse Klotho beta.
Purity:	≥ 95 % as determined by SDS-PAGE.
Endotoxin:	< 10 EU/mg of the protein.
Formulation:	Lyophilized from a solution filtered through a 0.22 µm filter, containing PBS. 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:	Reconstituted with sterile deionized water to 0.63 mg/mL. Reconstitution conditions may vary depending on the lot.
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. <small>Actual storage temperature shall be subject to the COA.</small>

Shipping:

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

Protein Background

Fibroblast growth factor 21 (FGF21) is a member of the fibroblast growth factor (FGF) family. FGF family members possess broad mitogenic and cell survival activities and are involved in a variety of biological processes including embryonic development, cell growth, morphogenesis, tissue repair, tumor growth and invasion. FGF-21 has a hydrophobic amino terminus, which is a typical signal sequence, and appears to be a secreted protein. The metabolic regulator fibroblast growth factor 21 (FGF21) has antidiabetic properties in animal models of diabetes

and obesity. FGF21 is a novel adipokine associated with obesity-related metabolic complications in humans. The paradoxical increase of serum FGF21 in obese individuals, which may be explained by a compensatory response or resistance to FGF21, warrants further investigation. FGF-21, which we have identified as a novel metabolic factor, exhibits the therapeutic characteristics necessary for an effective treatment of diabetes.

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