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# **Product Information**

Fibroblast Growth Factor-5 human recombinant, expressed in *E. coli* 

Catalog Number **F4537** Storage Temperature –20 °C

Synonym: FGF-5

## **Product Description**

Fibroblast Growth Factor-5 (FGF-5) was originally discovered as product of an oncogene, detected by the transfer of DNA from human tumor cell lines into NIH-3T3 cells. Human recombinant FGF-5 (27 kDa) is produced in *E. coli* by expression of a DNA sequence that encodes the mature 246 amino acid methionyl-FGF-5. FGF-5 has up to 50% structural homology with FGF-acidic and FGF-basic. <sup>2</sup>

The members of the FGF family of cytokines contain two conserved cysteine residues. FGF-5 is expressed in multiple regions of mammalian embryos and in the adult brain.<sup>3</sup> FGF-5 is mitogenic for fibroblasts and endothelial cells.<sup>4</sup>

This product is lyophilized from a 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered solution of 10 mM MOPS, 50 mM Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 0.5 mM EDTA, 0.5 mM DTT, 5% trehalose, pH 7.0, containing 50  $\mu$ g BSA per  $\mu$ g.

The biological activity of FGF-5 is tested in culture by measuring the FGF-dependent <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine incorporation by quiescent NR6-3T3 fibroblasts. <sup>5</sup> The EC<sub>50</sub> is defined as the effective concentration of growth factor that elicits a 50% increase in cell growth in a cell based bioassay.

Purity: ≥97% (SDS-PAGE and N-terminal analysis)

Endotoxin: ≤0.1 ng/µg of FGF-5

#### **Precautions and Disclaimer**

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

#### **Preparation Instructions**

Reconstitute the contents of the vial using 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered PBS containing 0.1% BSA and 1  $\mu$ g/mL sodium heparin to make a FGF-5 stock solution of  $\geq$ 10  $\mu$ g/mL.

# Storage/Stability

Store the product at -20 °C.

Upon reconstitution, this cytokine can be stored at 2–8  $^{\circ}$ C for up to 3 months. For extended storage, aliquot and freeze at –20  $^{\circ}$ C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

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