



Epidermal Growth Factor, mouse (mEGF)

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Source: Mouse Submaxillary Gland
Synonyms: Urogastrone, URG, EGF

Background

Epidermal growth factor has a profound effect on the differentiation of specific cells in vivo and is a potent mitogenic factor for a variety of cultured cells of both ectodermal and mesodermal origin. The EGF precursor is believed to exist as a membrane-bound molecule which is proteolytically cleaved to generate the 53-amino acid peptide hormone that stimulates cells to divide. EGF stimulates the growth of various epidermal and epithelial tissues in vivo and in vitro and of some fibroblasts in cell culture.

Description

Epidermal Growth Factor mouse purified from submaxillary gland is a single, glycosylated, polypeptide chain having a molecular mass of 6.1 kDa. EGF is purified by proprietary chromatographic techniques.

Physical Appearance

Sterile filtered white lyophilized (freeze-dried) powder.

Formulation

The protein was lyophilized from a concentrated (1 mg/ml) solution containing 0.01 M sodium acetate buffer.

Solubility

It is recommended to reconstitute the lyophilized EGF in sterile 18 M Ω -cm H₂O not less than 100 μ g/ml, which can then be further diluted to other aqueous solutions.

Stability

Lyophilized Epidermal Growth Factor, although stable at room temperature for 3 weeks, should be stored desiccated below -18°C. Upon reconstitution EGF should be stored at 4°C between 2-7 days and for future use below -18°C. For long term storage it is recommended to add a carrier protein (0.1% HSA or BSA). Please prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

Purity

Greater than 98.0% as determined by (a) Analysis by RP-HPLC, (b) Analysis by SDS-PAGE.

Activity

The biological activity is measured in a proliferation assay using BALB/MK cells.

Usage

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