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## **Activin A Recombinant Protein**

CATALOG NUMBER: 40-212

| Specifications       |   |
|----------------------|---|
| SPECIES:             | Human   |
| SOURCE SPECIES:      | (BTI-Tn-5B1-4) High-5 Insect cells  |
| SEQUENCE:            | GLECDGKVNI CCKKQFFVSF KDIGWNDWII APSGYHANYC EGECPSHIAG TSGSSLSFHS TVINHYRMRG<br>HSPFANLKSC CVPTKLRPMS MLYYDDGQNI IKKDIQNMIV EECGCS  |
| TESTED APPLICATIONS: |   |
| BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY: | The ED50 was determined by its ability to inhibit the proliferation of murine MPC - 11 cells is $\leq$ 2 ng/mL, corresponding to a specific activity of $\geq$ 5 x 10 <sup>5</sup> units/mg.  |
| Properties           |   |
| PURITY:              | Greater than 95% by SDS-PAGE gel and HPLC analyses.   |
|                      | Endotoxin level is less than 0.1 ng per ug (1EU/ug).  |
| PHYSICAL STATE:      | Lyophilized   |
| STORAGE CONDITIONS:  | The lyophilized Activin A recombinant protein is stable for at least 2 years from date of receipt at -20°C. Reconstituted Activin A is stable for at least 3 months when stored in working aliquots with a carrier protein at -20°C. As with any protein, exposing Activin A recombinant protein to repeated freeze / thaw cycles is not recommended. When working with proteins care should be taken to keep recombinant protein at a cool and stable temperature. |
| Additional Info      |   |
| ALTERNATE NAMES:     | JV18, MADH2, MADR2, JV18-1, hMAD-2, hSMAD2, Mothers against decapentaplegic homolog 2, MAD homolog 2  |
| ACCESSION NO .:      | NP_001003652.1  |
| PROTEIN GI NO.:      | 51173730  |
| Background           |   |
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Activin A is a TGF- $\beta$  family member that exhibits a wide range of biological activities including regulation of cellular proliferation and differentiation, and promotion of neuronal survival. Elevated levels of Activin A in human colorectal tumors and in post-menopausal woman have been implicated in colorectal and breast cancers, respectively. The biological activities of Activin A can be neutralized by inhibins and by the diffusible TGF- $\beta$ antagonist, Follistatin. Human Activin A is a 26.0 kDa disulfide-linked homodimer of two  $\beta$  A chains, each containing 116 amino acid residues.

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