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1. Description

| Products | Mouse SCF, research grade. Recombinant mouse stem cell factor. | | | | | | |
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| Biological activity | The ED ₅₀ is ≤50 ng/mL corresponding to an activity of ≥2×10 ⁴ U/mg. ▲ Note: The ED ₅₀ is determined by proliferation assay using TF-1 cells according to Kitamura, T. <i>et al.</i> ¹ | | | | | | |
| Primary structure | Two identical, non-covalently linked, non-glycosylated polypeptide chains (165 amino acid residues, including an N-terminal methionine). | | | | | | |
| Molecular mass | 18.4 kDa (monomer). | | | | | | |
| Source | Produced in <i>E. coli</i> . | | | | | | |
| Product format | Lyophilized from a filtered (0.2 µm) buffer solution. | | | | | | |
| Stabilizer | Mannitol and trehalose. | | | | | | |
| Purity | >97% as determined by SDS-PAGE analysis. | | | | | | |
| Endotoxin level | Low endotoxin (<1.0 EU/µg cytokine) as determined by Limulus Amebocyte Lysate (LAL) assay. | | | | | | |
| Storage | Lyophilized Mouse SCF, research grade should be stored at -20 °C. The expiration date is indicated on the vial label. Upon reconstitution aliquots should be stored at -20 °C or below. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. | | | | | | |
| Reconstitution | It is recommended to reconstitute lyophilized Mouse SCF, research grade with deionized sterile-filtered water to a final concentration of 0.1–1.0 mg/mL in a minimal volume of 100 µL. Further dilutions should be prepared with 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) or human serum albumin (HSA) in phosphate-buffered saline. | | | | | | |

1.1 Background information

Stem cell factor (SCF), also known as c-kit ligand, is a hematopoietic growth factor important for the survival, proliferation, and differentiation of hematopoietic stem cells and progenitor cells.

Besides its pivotal role in mast cell development, SCF acts as a potent mast cell chemoattractant and upregulates mast cell adhesion and migration. SCF signals through the c-kit receptor (CD117) and exists in two forms, cell surface bound SCF and soluble SCF. The secreted soluble form of SCF is produced by the proteolytic processing of the cell surface anchored precursor molecule. Recombinant Mouse SCF corresponds to the secreted soluble form.

1.2 Applications

Mouse SCF may be used for a variety of applications, including:

- *In vitro* culture and expansion of hematopoietic progenitor cells.
- Colony formation assays.
- Differentiation of ES-derived cells towards the hematopoietic lineage.
- Mast cell differentiation and maintenance.
- Investigation of receptor signaling.

Optimal concentration for a specific application should be determined by a dose-response experiment.

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