# PRODUCT DATA SHEET



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# Recombinant FGF-18, Rat

Catalog Number: BK0039-50µg Source: Escherichia coli. Quantity: 50µg

## **Description:**

Fibroblast Growth Factor 18 (FGF-18) is a pleiotropic cytokine belonging to the heparin-binding FGF family, which has 23 different members. Structurally, FGF-18 is closely related to FGF-8 and FGF-17. Like other FGFs, FGF-18 can bind to different FGF receptors in vivo. FGF-18 is expressed in various tissues and has multiple functions: during long bone growth, FGF-18 is expressed in perichondrium and developing joints, and regulates bone formation by inhibiting chondrocyte proliferation and differentiation: knock-out mice survive embryonic development, but exhibit skeletal abnormalities and die in the early neonatal period. FGF-18 also induces ectopic cartilage formation in the lung, and alters the morphology of the pulmonary mesenchyma. Recombinant rat Fibroblast Growth Factor 18 (rrFGF-18) produced in E.coli is a single non-glycosylated polypeptide chain containing of 172 amino acids. A fully biologically active molecule, rrFGF-18 has a molecular mass of 20.1 kDa analyzed by non-reducing SDS-PAGE and is obtained by proprietary chromatographic techniques at GenScript.

## **Molecular Weight:**

20.1 kDa, observed by non-reducing SDS-PAGE.

#### **Purity:**

> 95% as analyzed by SDS-PAGE and HPLC.

## **Biological Activity:**

ED50 < 0.5  $\mu$ g/mL, measured by a cell proliferation assay using 3T3 cells, corresponding to a specific activity of > 2× 10^3 units/mg.

## **Physical Appearance:**

Sterile Filtered White lyophilized (freeze-dried) powder.

## **Formulation:**

Lyophilized after extensive dialysis against PBS.

# **AA Sequence:**

EENVDFRIHVE-

NQTRARDDVSRKQLRLYQLYSRTSGKHIQVLGR RISARGEDGDKYAQLL-

VETDTFGSQVRIKGKETEFYLCMNRKGKLVGKP DGTSKECVFIEKVLENNYTALMSAKYSGWY-VGFTKKGRPRKGPK-

TRENQQDVHFMKRYPKGQTELQKPFKYT-TVTKRSR

#### **Endotoxin:**

< 0.2 EU/µg, determined by LAL method.

## **Reconstitution:**

Reconstituted in ddH2O at 100 µg/mL.

## **Storage:**

Lyophilized recombinant rat Fibroblast Growth Factor 18 (rrFGF-18) remains stable up to 6 months at -80  $^{\circ}$ C from date of receipt. Upon reconstitution, rrFGF-18 remains stable up to 2 weeks at 4  $^{\circ}$ C or up to 3 months at -20  $^{\circ}$ C.

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