# Epigen, Human(CHO-expressed) 

Cat. No.: Z03107

## Product Introduction

| Species | Human |
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| Protein Construction |  |
|  | Epigen (Ala24-Ala104) Accession \# Q6UW88 |
| Purity | > 95\% as analyzed by SDS-PAGE |
| Endotoxin Level | <0.2 EU/ $\mu \mathrm{g}$ of protein by gel clotting method |
| Biological Activity | $E D_{50}<1.0 \mu \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{ml}$, measured in a proliferation assay using 3T3 cells. |
| Expression System | CHO |
| Apparent Molecular Weight | 15~20 kDa, on SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions. |
| Formulation | Lyophilized after extensive dialysis against PBS. |
| Reconstitution | It is recommended that this vial be briefly centrifuged prior to opening to bring the contents to the bottom. Reconstitute the lyophilized powder in $\mathrm{ddH}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ or PBS up to 100 $\mu \mathrm{g} / \mathrm{ml}$. |
| Storage \& Stability | Upon receiving, this product remains stable for up to 6 months at lower than $-70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Upon reconstitution, the product should be stable for up to 1 week at $4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ or up to 3 months at $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. For long term storage it is recommended that a carrier protein (example $0.1 \% \mathrm{BSA}$ ) be added. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. |

## Background

Target Background : Epigen is a cytokine belonging to the Epidermal Growth Factor (EGF) superfamily, which also includes Epiregulin, Amphiregulin, Neuregulin 2- $\beta$, and Transforming Growth Factor $\alpha$. The precursor of Epigen produced in tissues has 154 amino acids, and shares the characteristics of other members of EGF superfamily, including 3 disulfide bonds formed by 6 cysteines. Epigen is present in testis, heart, and liver, and it binds to EGF receptors with a much lower binding affinity than EGF. However, Epigen is more mitogenic than EGF. Epigen achieves its strong mitogenic potency by suppressing ligand-induced receptor inactivation. Unlike EGF, Epigen can also bind to EGF receptors in low pH conditions, helping its recycling. Therefore Epigen has anomalous potency due to its prolonged presence.

Synonyms : EPG; Epithelial mitogen

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