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## Product Information

### EGR-1

Human, Recombinant  
Expressed in Sf9 insect cells

Product Number **E5777**

Storage Temperature  $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$

Synonyms: NGF1A; Krox24; TIS-8; Zif 268, ZENK

### Product Description

EGR (Early Growth Response) proteins represent a family of transcription factors involved in cell cycle regulation.<sup>1</sup> They contain three, nearly identical DNA-binding zinc finger regions, each possessing a unique flanking region. EGR-1, -2, -3, and -4, bind the EGR-consensus sequence GCG T/GGG GCG, however the individual proteins show differing binding affinities for related sequences.<sup>2</sup> The EGR binding sites are present in promoters of several tissue specific genes regulating cytokines and growth factors as well as genes regulating the cell cycle.

EGR-1 has been shown to play a critical role in T cell activation. This protein is transiently expressed after mitogenic stimulation of T-cells and constitutively expressed after infection with HTLV-I or HTLV-II.<sup>3</sup> Other functions of EGR-1 include the down-regulation of GATA-1, up-regulation of the megakaryocyte-specific gene CD41a, and up-regulation of multiple divergent pathways in angiogenesis, wound healing, female reproduction, and tumorigenicity.

Human recombinant EGR-1 is expressed in Sf9 insect cells infected with recombinant baculovirus containing a cDNA insert for human EGR-1. Human EGR-1 comprises 543 amino acids with a calculated molecular mass of 57.5 kDa (cDNA). It migrates as an approximately 80 kDa protein by SDS-PAGE.

Human recombinant EGR-1 is suitable for use in EMSA (electrophoretic mobility shift assay), *in-vitro* transcription assays, and nuclear extract analysis.

### Reagents

Human recombinant EGR-1 is supplied as a frozen liquid containing at least 25 BFU (band-forming units) EGR-1 in 50  $\mu\text{L}$  cell lysate supernatant containing

20 mM HEPES, pH 7.9, 420 mM NaCl, 1.5 mM  $\text{MgCl}_2$ , 0.2 mM EDTA, and 25% glycerol.

### Preparation Instructions

Dilution of the stock solution is not necessary. The thawed solution is sufficient for performing 25 gel shift assays under standard conditions.

### Precautions and Disclaimer

EGR-1 is for laboratory use only. Not for drug household or other uses.

### Storage/Stability

Store in working aliquots at  $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Repeated freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided. Do not store in a frost-free freezer.

### Product Profile

Activity is  $>0.5$  BFU/ $\mu\text{L}$ . EGR-1 activity is measured by its ability to induce band shift of an oligonucleotide containing the sequence GCG GGG GCG labeled with  $^{33}\text{P}$ - $\gamma$ -ATP. One BFU is sufficient to detect a band shift under standard conditions on native gel electrophoresis.

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