

Porcine ECGF (crude extract, cell culture tested) + Heparin

Synonyms: Endothelial cell growth factor (ECGF), Endothelial cell growth supplement (ECGS).

PLEASE NOTE: ALWAYS CENTRIFUGE VIAL BEFORE OPENING

Size	Order#	Lot#	Expiry Date
5 x 6 mg	1318.929.308		
6 mg	1318.929.699		

Please enquire for bulk quantities and other vial sizes.

Description

Endothelial cell growth factor (ECGF) is an extract of bovine brain containing growth promoting factors for vascular endothelial cells of mammalian origin. ECGF has also been reported to be beneficial as a media supplement for the fusion and growth of hybridoma cells in monoclonal antibody production. Endothelial cell growth factor is prepared using a modification of the method of Maciag, et al. (1979) lyophilized from a sterile solution containing NaCl and streptomycin sulfate. Endothelial cells from human umbilical vein (HUVEC) can be established as primary cultures by traditional methods. The serial propagation of these cells has proved to be difficult. The long-term propagation of these cells in vitro can be achieved with an extract prepared from porcine brain. The introduction of a fibronectin or collagen matrix to the cell culture system allows to cultivate endothelial cells at clonal densities. With ECGF, the FCS requirement can be reduced. Heparin potentiates the mitogenic activity of crude preparations of ECGF. ECGF has also been reported to eliminate the need for feeder cells in the clonal growth of hybridomas and other cell types.

- **Source** Swine

Biological Activity

The optimal concentration for the cultivation of human umbilical vein endothelial cells (HUVEC) with heparin (30 µg/ml) is about 12 µg/ml.

Reconstitution

Reconstitute the contents of the vial in 2 ml of prewarmed (37 °C) sterile PBS or water. Gently rotate the vial until the contents are dissolved. This stock solution may be further diluted in sterile tissue culture media to obtain the desired working concentrations. It is recommended that medium containing diluted product is aseptically filtered prior to use.

Usage: For research use only. Not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic procedures. Not for human use.

*The Buffer may vary depending on the Lot #. Please contact our technical support if you have specific requirements.