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## Human Insulin-like Growth Factor II (hIGF-II)



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**MW (kDa):**  
6

**UniProt ID:**  
#P01344

**Entrez-Gene Id:**  
3481

### Background

IGF-II is a potent cellular mitogen that is closely related to IGF-I (1). IGF-II is primarily produced by the liver and is frequently overexpressed in tumors (1,2). IGF-II binds to the IGF-IR, activating the AKT, mTOR, ERK, and JNK pathways (1). IGF-II signaling is regulated by several distinct mechanisms. First, IGF binding proteins (IGFBPs) bind to IGF-II and block interactions with the IGF-IR (1-3). Second, the IGF-IIR, binds to and acts as a molecular trap for IGF-II (1-3). Lastly, the IGF2 gene is an imprinted gene, and loss of imprinting leads to increased IGF-II levels (1-3). Aberrant levels of IGF-II are associated with Wilms tumor, Beckwith-Wiedmann syndrome, and colorectal cancer (1,2).

### Endotoxin

Less than 0.01 ng endotoxin/1 µg hIGF-II.

### Purity

>98% as determined by SDS-PAGE of 6 µg reduced (+) and non-reduced (-) recombinant hIGF-II. All lots are greater than 98% pure.

### Source / Purification

Recombinant human IGF-II (hIGF-II) Ala25-Glu94 (Accession # P01344-2) was produced in *E. coli* at Cell Signaling Technology.

### Bioactivity

The bioactivity of recombinant hIGF-II was determined in a cell proliferation assay using primary human dermal fibroblasts. The ED<sub>50</sub> of each lot is between 10-20 ng/ml.

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### Background References

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### Cross-Reactivity Key

**H:** human **M:** mouse **R:** rat **Hm:** hamster **Mk:** monkey **Vir:** virus **Mi:** mink **C:** chicken **Dm:** D. melanogaster **X:** Xenopus **Z:** zebrafish **B:** bovine **Dg:** dog **Pg:** pig **Sc:** S. cerevisiae **Ce:** C. elegans **Hr:** horse **GP:** Guinea Pig **Rab:** rabbit **All:** all species expected

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