

# **Urokinase from Human, recombinant**

Cat. No. NATE-1690

Lot. No. (See product label)

#### Introduction

**Description** Urokinase or Urokinase-type plasminogen activator (uPA) is a serine protease (EC 3.4.21.73). It is

secreted as a single-chain zymogen, pro-Urokinase, possessing little or no intrinsic enzymatic activity. The single chain zymogen is converted into the active two chain enzyme (tcuPA) by cleavage of the bond between Lys157 and Ile158. After activation, Urokinase specifically cleaves the proenzyme plasminogen to form the active enzyme plasmin. The active plasmin then catalyzes the breakdown of fibrin polymers of blood clots. Urokinase is involved in a number of biological functions including fibrinolysis, embryogenesis, cell migration, tissue remodeling, ovulation, and wound healing. Additionally, it is a potent marker of invasion and metastasis in a variety of human cancers associated

with breast, stomach, colon, bladder, ovary, brain and endometrium.

**Synonyms** Two chain urokinase-type plasminogen activator; tcuPA; PLAU; ATF; UPA; URK; u-PA; BDPLT5; QPD

### **Product Information**

**Species** Human

**Source** E. coli

**Form** Lyophilized powder

**Formulation** 0.5 mg/ml solution of protein in 25 mM sodium acetate, 50 mM NaCl, pH 5.0 containing 50% glycerol.

**EC Number** EC 3.4.21.73

Molecular

Weight

Purity

> 90% by SDS-PAGE

49.3 kDa

Activity >1500 mU/mg

**Unit Definition** 1 U = Digestion of 1  $\mu$ mole of Z-GGR-AMC substrate in 1 min at 37 $^{\circ}$ C.

# **Usage and Packaging**

**Reconstitution** Briefly spin down the vial and reconstitute in water to 0.5-1 mg/ml and store at -80°C.

# Storage and Shipping Information

**Storage** Stable at -80°C for at least 1 year as supplied. Store reconstituted aliquots at -80°C. Avoid repeated

freeze and thaw cycles.

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