

## **Epigen**

Catalog # PVGS1246

## **Product Information**

Primary Accession Q6UW88
Species Human

Sequence Ala24-Ala104

**Purity** > 95% as analyzed by SDS-PAGE

**Endotoxin Level** 

**Biological Activity** ED<sub>50</sub> Expression System CHO

**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

ddH<sub>2</sub>O or PBS up to 100 □g/ml.

**Storage & Stability** Upon receiving, this product remains stable for up to 6 months at lower than

-70°C. Upon reconstitution, the product should be stable for up to 1 week at 4°C or up to 3 months at -20°C. For long term storage it is recommended that a carrier protein (example 0.1% BSA) be added. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw

cycles.

## **Additional Information**

Gene ID 255324

Other Names Epigen, Epithelial mitogen, EPG, EPGN

**Target Background** Epigen is a cytokine belonging to the Epidermal Growth Factor (EGF)

superfamily, which also includes Epiregulin, Amphiregulin, Neuregulin 2-β, and Transforming Growth Factor α. 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.

## **Protein Information**

Name EPGN

**Function** Promotes the growth of epithelial cells. May stimulate the phosphorylation

of EGFR and mitogen-activated protein kinases.

**Cellular Location** [Isoform 1]: Membrane; Single-pass type I membrane protein [Isoform 3]:

Secreted. [Isoform 5]: Secreted.

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