



## FGF2-G3 (bovine) Growth Factor

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#### Animal-free, thermostable, purified bovine fibroblast growth factor 2

Liquid: Catalog # LSR-302-10-L, LSR-302-50-L, LSR-302-100-L, LSR-302-1MG-L Powder: Catalog # LSR-302-10-P, LSR-302-50-P, LSR-302-100-P, LSR-302-1MG-P

#### **Product Description**

Defined Bioscience's FGF2-G3 (bovine), or btFGF2-G3, is a thermostabilized growth factor that offers a novel way to grow FGF2-dependent cell cultures more efficiently, with fewer medium changes. btFGF2-G3 possesses the same nine mutations found to improve thermostability of human FGF2, applied to the native *Bos taurus* FGF2 sequence (UniProt P03969). The stability of FGF2-G3 in culture allows for a more homogeneous, undifferentiated stem cell culture, while saving researchers valuable time and money, as repeated supplementation of FGF2 and daily medium changes are not required.

btFGF2-G3 is recombinantly expressed in *E. coli* with an N-terminal hexahistidine tag, thrombin cleavage site, and T7 tag. All stocks are provided in storage buffer (10 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 500 mM NaCl, 5 mM bME) at 1 mg/mL, or freeze-dried from this same format. Sample purity is >95% as confirmed by SDS-PAGE (**Figure 1**).

## **Contents and Storage**

| Content                                    | Catalog #  | Amount   | Storage                             | Shelf life |
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| btFGF2-G3<br>Thermostable Growth<br>Factor | LSR-302-10<br>LSR-302-50<br>LSR-302-100<br>LSR-302-1MG | 1 x 10 µg<br>1 x 50 µg<br>1 x 100 µg<br>1 x 1 mg | Store at -20°C protected from light | 1 year     |

## **Biological Activity**

btFGF2-G3 has an expected EC50 of less than 1 ng/mL, as determined in-house for all lots by an NIH-3T3 cell proliferation assay.

## **Key Characteristics**

btFGF2-G3 differs from the native sequence of bovine FGF2 (UniProt accession P03969) at nine key residues found to promote increased thermostability and function in cell culture for human FGF2. FGF2-G3 is critical for use in cell culture conditions greater than room temperature; and helps to eliminate the need for weekend supplementation and daily medium changes for stem cell culture.

#### **General Use**

btFGF2-G3 is supplied as a 1 mg/mL solution in storage buffer or in a freeze-dried form that can be reconstituted into most standard buffer formulations as needed for downstream use. btFGF2-G3 can be substituted directly for native FGF2, with dosage testing recommended for optimal performance. It is recommended to reconstitute powder btFGF2-G3 to 1 mg/mL with water before use.

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# **Figures**



**Figure 1. Representative SDS-PAGE analysis of purified btFGF2-G3.** Percentage purity determined by SDS-PAGE and occasionally by MS/MS analysis. Mass corresponds to the monomeric form of btFGF2-G3, with associated N-terminal tags (20.9 kDa). RBG BroadRange MWL used in lane 1.

#### References

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