

## Overview

<b>Synonyms</b>	Dickkopf-1; DKK-1
<b>Description</b>	Dickkopf related protein 1 (DKK-1) is a chemokine that belongs to the DKK protein family, which also includes DKK-2, DKK-3 and DKK-4. DKK-1 was originally identified as a <i>Xenopus</i> head forming molecule that behaves as an antagonist for Wnt signaling. It is one of the most up-regulated genes during androgen-potentiated balding, with DKK-1 messenger RNA up-regulated a few hours after DHT treatment of hair follicles at the dermal papilla in vitro. Neutralizing bodies against DKK-1 reverses DHT effects on outer root sheath keratinocytes. DKK-1 expression is attenuated by L-threonate, a metabolite of ascorbate in vitro. DKK-1 promotes LRP6 internalization and degradation as it forms a ternary complex with the cell surface receptor Kremen. DKK-1 not only functions as a head inducer during development, but also regulates joint remodeling and bone formation, which indicate its role in the pathogenesis of rheumatoid arthritis and multiple myeloma. Recombinant Human DKK-1 produced in HEK293 cells is a polypeptide chain containing 241 amino acids with C-terminal 6His. A fully biologically active molecule, rhDKK-1 has a molecular mass of 38-40 kDa analyzed by reducing SDS-PAGE and is obtained by chromatographic techniques.
<b>Species</b>	Human
<b>Source</b>	HEK293
<b>Biological Activity</b>	ED <sub>50</sub> < 4 µg/ml, measured in stimulation of alkaline phosphatase activity using CCI-226 cells.
<b>Sequence</b>	<p>Thr32-His266 (Accession #: O94907), expressed with a C-terminal 6His</p> <p>           TLNSVLNS NAIKNLPP PLGGAAGH PGSVSA A PGILYPGG            NKYQTIDN YQYPYCAE DEECGTDE YCASPTRG GDAGVQIC            LACRKRK RCMRHAMC CPGNYCKN GICVSSDQ NHFRGEIE            ETITESFG NDHSTLDG YSRRTLS SKMYHTKG QEGSVCLR            SSDCASGL CCARHFWS KICKPVLK EGQVCTKH RRGKSHGL            EIFQRCYC GEGLSCRI QKDHHQAS NSSRLHTC QRHHHHHH            H         </p>

## Properties

<b>Measured Molecular Weight</b>	38-40 kDa, observed by reducing SDS-PAGE.
<b>Purity</b>	> 95% as analyzed by SDS-PAGE.
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS.
<b>Reconstitution</b>	Reconstituted in ddH <sub>2</sub> O or PBS at 100 µg/ml.
<b>Endotoxin Level</b>	< 0.2 EU/µg, determined by LAL method.
<b>Storage</b>	Lyophilized recombinant DKK-1 remains stable up to 12 months at lower than -70°C from date of receipt. Upon reconstitution, Human DKK-1 should be stable 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.
<b>Note</b>	For research use only

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