EPO mRNA
(mRNA encoding Human erythropoietin protein)

Description

Ready-to-use stabilized EPO mRNA
Cap Modification: Cap 1 | **Poly (A) Tail:** Yes
Concentration: 1.0 mg/mL
Buffer: 1 mM Sodium Citrate, pH 6.4
Full length mRNA: 796 nt
Molecular weights: #**MRNA4:** 259501 g/mol; #**MRNA18:** 258016 g/mol; #**MRNA19**: 260986 g/mol

EPO mRNAs have been designed to produce high expression level of Erythropoietin protein. OZB mRNAs are produced by *in vitro* transcription. mRNAs are stabilized at the 5' end by modified nucleotides capping (Cap1) and contain a poly(A) tail at the 3' end. Sequences have been optimized to yield improved stability and performance. EPO mRNA **MRNA18** does not bear any additional nucleotide modifications while #**MRNA19** is modified with 5-methoxyuridine (5moU), #**MRNA4** is modified with N1-methyl-pseudouridine (N1-mψ) to reduce innate immune response.

Applications

EPO mRNAs encode for the human Erythropoietin protein, an hormone that controls erythropoiesis. EPO acts as a hematopoietic growth factor and stimulates the synthesis of red blood cells in the bone marrow.
EPO mRNA is commonly used for gene replacement and serves as model for expression of any secreted protein. Its expression can easily be evaluated by enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) while EPO's effect on red blood cell production is detected by measuring reticulocyte levels and the hematocrit from whole blood using a hematocrit assay. Measurement of EPO is rather straightforward and well established.

General considerations on OZB's mRNA

EPO mRNAs resemble fully matured mRNAs with 5'cap1 structure and 3' polyA tail, therefore ready to be translated by the ribosome. mRNA transfection provides several advantages over plasmid DNA (pDNA) delivery. It does not require nuclear uptake for being expressed since translation of mRNA occurs directly into cytoplasm. Indeed, nuclear delivery (transport through nuclear membrane) is one the principal barriers for transfecting slow or non-dividing cells and consequently, mRNA transfection is particularly attractive for such purpose. This approach presents also the advantage of being non-integrative which is particularly appealing for stem cells, regenerative medicine or vaccine fields. Contrary to pDNA, mRNA cannot lead to genetic insertion causing mutations. Moreover, the protein expression from the mRNA is promoter-independent and faster than with DNA. For transfection we recommend RmesFect™ (#RM21000) and RmesFect™ Stem (#RS31000).

Quality Controls

Items	Specification	Standard QC	Superior Grade QC*
Integrity	Agarose gel mobility and fragment analyzer	✓	✓
Concentration	1mg/ml +/- 5%	✓	✓
A260/280	>1.8 for Unmodified mRNAs >1.7 for chemically modified mRNAs	✓	✓
Sterility	Absence of bacterial growth at 37°C	✓	✓
Endotoxin	<0.5 EU/mL		✓
dsRNA	<0.5%		✓

* Our catalogue mRNAs undergo the standard QC. Superior Grade QC can be performed as an additional prestation.

Certificate of analysis on demand.

Use, handling and storage

For Research Use Only. Not for use in humans. Not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic purposes.

Long term storage (months): -80°C.

Short term storage (few days): -20°

We recommend to aliquot the mRNA solution for a better storage. Follow good laboratory practices for mRNA handling (work on ice, avoid freeze/thaw cycles, do not vortex, use RNAse free water and barrier tips, …)

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mRNA Stability

RNA can suffer degradation when not handled, stored, or used properly. In order to assess the stability of OZ Biosciences mRNAs, we have tested a randomly chosen RNA from our catalog and submitted it to several freeze/thaw cycles as well as a 15-day storage at room temperature (RT). mRNA did not show any sign of degradation in any condition as observed on agarose gel (*cf* Stability note available on our website).

Kit contents

EPO mRNAs-20: 20 µg of mRNA.
EPO mRNAs-100: 100 µg mRNA.
EPO mRNAs-1000: 1 mg of mRNA.

Related Products

Ref	Description
#**RM20500/21000**	RmesFect™ transfection reagent (mRNA)
#**RS30500/31000**	RmesFect™ Stem transfection reagent (mRNA)
#**MRNA11/15/22**	mRNA GFP unmodified or 5moU or N1-mpU
#**MRNA12/16/24**	mRNA LUC unmodified or 5moU or N1-mpU
#**MRNA40/41/42**	mRNA OVA unmodified or 5moU or N1-mpU

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