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<b>Primary structure</b>	Two identical, non-glycosylated polypeptide chains (120 amino acid residues each, including an N-terminal methionine).								
<b>Molecular mass</b>	13.6 kDa.								
<b>Source</b>	Produced in <i>E. coli</i> .								
<b>Product format</b>	Lyophilized from a filtered (0.2 µm) buffer solution.								
<b>Stabilizer</b>	None.								
<b>Purity</b>	>97% as determined by SDS-PAGE analysis.								
<b>Endotoxin level</b>	Low endotoxin (<1.0 EU/µg cytokine) as determined by Limulus Amebocyte Lysate (LAL) assay.								
<b>Storage</b>	Lyophilized Human NT-3, research grade should be stored at –20 °C. The expiration date is indicated on the vial label. Upon reconstitution aliquots should be stored at –20 °C or below. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.								
<b>Reconstitution</b>	It is recommended to reconstitute lyophilized Human NT-3, research grade with deionized sterile-filtered water to a final concentration of 0.05–1.0 mg/mL in a minimal volume of 40 µL. Further dilutions should be prepared with 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) or human serum albumin (HSA) in phosphate-buffered saline.								

#### 1.1 Background information

Neurotrophin 3 (NT-3), also known as hippocampus-derived neurotrophic factor (HDNF), is a member of the neurotrophin family. It shares high structural homology to nerve growth factor (NGF), brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF), and neurotrophin 4 (NT-4), but they all operate via different high-affinity membrane receptors and differ in target specificity. Expression of NT-3 has been detected in neurons of the central nervous system like the hippocampus and cerebellum. Furthermore it is expressed

in muscles. NT-3 promotes the survival and differentiation of existing neurons and supports the growth and differentiation of new nerve and glial cells. It has been shown to bind and activate the TrkC tyrosine receptor kinase. The activities of NT-3 and BDNF are additive in some systems. The amino acid sequence of human and mouse NT-3 is identical.

#### 1.2 Applications

Human NT-3 may be used for a variety of applications, including:

- *In vitro* stimulation of endothelial cell survival.
- Proangiogenic capacity *in vitro*.
- Survival and differentiation factor in neuronal cell culture.
- Investigation of Trk signaling.
- Stimulation of axon outgrowth *in vitro*.

Optimal concentration for a specific application should be determined by a dose-response experiment.

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