



# Thrombin

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## IDENTIFICATION

### Name

Thrombin

### Accession Number

DB11300

### Type

Biotech

### Groups

Approved, Investigational

### Biologic Classification

Protein Based Therapies

Blood factors

### Description

Also known as coagulation factor II, thrombin is a serine protease that plays a physiological role in regulating hemostasis and maintaining blood coagulation. Once converted from prothrombin, thrombin converts fibrinogen to fibrin, which, in combination with platelets from the blood, forms a clot.

Medical thrombin is a protein substance produced through a conversion reaction in which prothrombin of bovine origin is activated by tissue thromboplastin in the presence of calcium chloride. Thrombin requires no intermediate physiological agent for its action. It clots the fibrinogen of the blood directly. Failure to clot blood occurs in the rare case where the primary clotting defect is the absence of fibrinogen itself.

Bovine thrombin however, is capable of causing fatal severe bleeding or thrombosis [\[Label\]](#). This thrombosis may result from the development of antibodies against bovine thrombin [\[Label\]](#). Bleeding may result from the development of antibodies against bovine factor V [\[Label\]](#). These antibodies may subsequently cross-react with endogenous human factor V and lead to its deficiency [\[Label\]](#). Patients who are know or suspected to have antibodies to bovine thrombin



as alternatives to using bovine thrombin.

### Protein structure



### Protein chemical formula

Not Available

### Protein average weight

Not Available

### Sequences

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>sp|P00735|THRB_BOVIN Prothrombin OS=Bos taurus OX=9913 GN=F2 PE=1 SV=2
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### Synonyms

coagulation factor II

Thrombin bovine

Thrombin, Topical (Bovine)

### Prescription Products

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NAME	DOSAGE	STRENGTH	ROUTE	LABELLER	MARKETING START	MARKETING END



5000unit/vial				Co.			
<b>Thrombostat 10000units</b>	Powder	10000 unit	Topical	Pfizer	1954-12-31	2004-07-26	
<b>Thrombostat 1000units</b>	Powder	1000 unit	Topical	Parke Davis Division, Warner Lambert Canada Inc.	1960-12-31	1997-04-25	
<b>Thrombostat 5000units</b>	Powder, for solution	5000 unit	Topical	Pfizer	1951-12-31	2004-07-26	

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**Mixture Products**


NAME	INGREDIENTS	DOSAGE	ROUTE	LABELLER	MARKETING START	MARKETING END			
<b>Recothrom</b>	Thrombin (5000 IU/5mL)	Kit		Zymo Genetics	2008-01-29	2016-11-30			
<b>Thrombin-jmi</b>	Thrombin [iU]/5mL)	Kit		Pfizer Laboratories Div Pfizer Inc.	1995-02-24	Not applicable			
<b>Thrombin-jmi</b>	Thrombin [iU]/5mL)	Kit		Pfizer Laboratories Div Pfizer Inc.	1995-02-24	Not applicable			
<b>Thrombin-jmi</b>	Thrombin [iU]/5mL)	Kit		Pfizer Laboratories Div Pfizer Inc.	1995-02-24	Not applicable			
<b>Thrombin-jmi</b>	Thrombin [iU]/20mL)	Kit		Pfizer Laboratories Div Pfizer Inc.	1995-02-24	Not applicable			

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**Categories**[Amino Acids, Peptides, and Proteins](#)[Biological Factors](#)[Blood and Blood Forming Organs](#)



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[Peptide Hydrolases](#)

[Proteins](#)

[Serine Endopeptidases](#)

[Serine Proteases](#)

## UNII

[25ADE2236L](#)

## CAS number

Not Available

## PHARMACOLOGY

### Indication

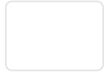
Bovine thrombin is a topical thrombin indicated to aid hemostasis whenever oozing blood and minor bleeding from capillaries and small venules is accessible and control of bleeding by standard surgical techniques (like suture, ligature, or cautery) is ineffective or impractical [\[Label\]](#). Additionally, topical bovine thrombin can also be used in combination with an absorbable gelatin sponge, USP [\[Label\]](#).

### Associated Conditions

[Refractory to surgical techniques Bleeding](#)

### Pharmacodynamics

Little has been reported about the systemic pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics of bovine thrombin preparations [\[2\]](#), but it is expected that bovine thrombin elicits similar activities as endogenous thrombin. Subsequently, it is believed that bovine thrombin, like endogenous thrombin, functions as a coagulation factor that converts clotting factor XI to XIa, factor VIII to



way of activating protease-activated receptors on the cell membranes of platelets <sup>[1]</sup>.

### Mechanism of action

Bovine thrombin requires no intermediate physiological agent for its action <sup>[Label]</sup>. It activates platelets and catalyzes the conversion of fibrinogen to fibrin, which are essential steps for clot formation <sup>[Label]</sup>. Failure to clot blood occurs in the case where the primary clotting defect is the absence of fibrinogen itself <sup>[Label]</sup>. The speed with which the bovine thrombin clots blood is dependent upon the concentration of both the bovine thrombin and the fibrinogen present <sup>[Label]</sup>.

Proteinase-activated receptor 1

Not Available

Human

Proteinase-activated receptor 4

Not Available

Human

Coagulation factor XI

activator

Human

Coagulation factor XIII A chain

activator

Human

Coagulation factor XIII B chain

activator

Human

Fibrinogen alpha chain

activator

Human

Fibrinogen beta chain

activator

Human

Fibrinogen gamma chain

activator

Human

Coagulation factor V



activator

Human

### Absorption

Little has been reported about the systemic pharmacokinetics of bovine thrombin preparations [2], but owing to its topical mode of administration, it is expected that any kind of systemic absorption would be minimal.

### Volume of distribution

Little has been reported about the systemic pharmacokinetics of bovine thrombin preparations [2], but owing to its topical mode of application, systemic exposure or distribution to other organs and tissues is not expected.

### Protein binding

Little has been reported about the systemic pharmacokinetics of bovine thrombin preparations [2]. Protein binding data is subsequently not readily available, although thrombin functions naturally to interact with a very specific set of clotting factors [1].

### Metabolism

Although little has been reported about the systemic pharmacokinetics of bovine thrombin preparations [2], such products are expected to be metabolized in the same way as endogenous thrombin is. Endogenous thrombin does not circulate in the blood as a free, active molecule for very long [3]. After performing its function it is rapidly inactivated after formation of complexes with various circulating endogenous plasma inhibitors (like antithrombin III) [3]. This rapid inactivation prevents the active agent from diffusing into the general circulation. The complexes formed are then generally cleared and eliminated by the liver [3].

### Route of elimination

Although little has been reported about the systemic pharmacokinetics of bovine thrombin preparations [2], they are expected to act in much the same way as endogenous thrombin does. Natural bodily thrombin is cleared by two primary separate pathways: (1) through rapid formation of thrombin inhibitor complexes, which are recognized by hepatic receptors and degraded, and (2) via direct binding to thrombomodulin on the endothelium, followed by internalization and degradation [3]. Specific thrombin inhibitors include ATIII, alpha-2M and heparin cofactor II [3].

### Half life

Unfortunately, little has been reported about the systemic pharmacokinetics of bovine thrombin preparations [2].

### Clearance



## Toxicity

With regards to bovine thrombin, no cases of overdose have been reported so far [2]. Bovine thrombin however, is capable of causing fatal severe bleeding or thrombosis [Label]. This thrombosis may result from the development of antibodies against bovine thrombin [Label]. Bleeding may result from the development of antibodies against bovine factor V [Label]. These antibodies may subsequently cross-react with endogenous human factor V and lead to its deficiency [Label]. Patients who are know or suspected to have antibodies to bovine thrombin and/or bovine factor V should not be re-exposed to the product [Label]. Patients who are administered bovine thrombin should be monitored for abnormal coagulation laboratory values, bleeding, or indeed, thrombosis [Label].

LD50 values are available for rat and mouse models where rat subcutaneous LD50 > 40mg/kg, rat IP LD50 > 40mg/kg, and mouse subcutaneous LD50 > 50 mg/kg (in which the greater than symbol indicates that the toxicity endpoint being tested was not achievable at the highest dose used in the test) [MSDS].

Regardless, the most common adverse reactions following administration of bovine thrombin include hypersensitivity, bleeding, anemia, post-operative wound infection, thromboembolic events, hypotension, pyrexia, tachycardia, and/or thrombocytopenia [Label].

## Affected organisms

Humans and other mammals

## Pathways

Not Available

## Pharmacogenomic Effects/ADRs ⓘ

Not Available

## INTERACTIONS

### Drug Interactions ⓘ

Not Available

### Food Interactions

Not Available

## REFERENCES

[\[ISBN:0781728452\]](#)3. EMEA European Medicines Agency Withdrawal Assessment Report for Recothrom (thrombin alpha) [\[Link\]](#)

## External Links

PubChem Substance

[347911181](#)

Wikipedia

[Thrombin](#)

## ATC Codes

### B02BD30 – Thrombin

- [B02BD – Blood coagulation factors](#)
- [B02B – VITAMIN K AND OTHER HEMOSTATICS](#)
- [B02 – ANTIHEMORRHAGICS](#)
- [B – BLOOD AND BLOOD FORMING ORGANS](#)

### B02BC06 – Thrombin

- [B02BC – Local hemostatics](#)
- [B02B – VITAMIN K AND OTHER HEMOSTATICS](#)
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## CLINICAL TRIALS

### Clinical Trials [ⓘ](#)

PHASE	↕	STATUS	↕	PURPOSE	↕	CONDITIONS	↕	COUNT	↕
2, 3		Withdrawn		Treatment		<a href="#">Minor burns</a>		1	
3		Completed		Treatment		<a href="#">Maintenance of surgical hemostasis therapy</a>		1	
3		Unknown Status		Treatment		<a href="#">Rebleeding From Gastric Varices / Ulcer, on Gastric Varices</a>		1	
Not Available		Terminated		Treatment		<a href="#">Nasal Bleeding</a>		1	





## PHARMACOECONOMICS

**Manufacturers**

Not Available

**Packagers**

Not Available

**Dosage forms**

FORM	↕ ROUTE	↕ STRENGTH	↕
Kit			
Powder	Topical	10000 unit	
Powder	Topical	1000 unit	
Powder, for solution	Topical	5000 unit	

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**Prices**

Not Available

**Patents**

Not Available

## PROPERTIES

**State**

Solid

**Experimental Properties**

Not Available

## TAXONOMY

**Description**

Not Available

**Super Class**

Organic Acids

**Class**

Carboxylic Acids and Derivatives

**Sub Class**

Amino Acids, Peptides, and Analogues

**Direct Parent**

Peptides

**Alternative Parents**

Not Available

**Substituents**

Not Available

**Molecular Framework**

Not Available

**External Descriptors**

Not Available

## TARGETS

**1. Proteinase-activated receptor 1****Kind**

Protein

**Organism**

Human

**Pharmacological action**

Unknown

**General Function**

Thrombin receptor activity

**Gene Name**

F2R

**Uniprot ID**[P25116](#)**Uniprot Name**

Proteinase-activated receptor 1

**Molecular Weight**

47439.83 Da

**References**

1. Leger AJ, Jacques SL, Badar J, Kaneider NC, Derian CK, Andrade-Gordon P, Covic L, Kuliopulos A: Blocking the protease-activated receptor 1-4 heterodimer in platelet-mediated thrombosis. *Circulation*. 2006 Mar 7;113(9):1244-54. Epub 2006 Feb 27. [[PubMed:16505172](#)]

**2. Proteinase-activated receptor 4****Kind**

Protein

**Organism**

Human

**Pharmacological action**Unknown**General Function**

Receptor for activated thrombin or trypsin coupled to G proteins that stimulate phosphoinositide hydrolysis. May play a role in platelets activation.

**Specific Function**

G-protein coupled receptor activity

**Gene Name**

F2RL3

**Uniprot ID**[Q96R10](#)**Uniprot Name**

Proteinase-activated receptor 4

**Molecular Weight**



the protease-activated receptor 1-4 heterodimer in platelet-mediated thrombosis. *Circulation*. 2006 Mar 7;113(9):1244-54. Epub 2006 Feb 27. [[PubMed:16505172](#)]

### 3. Coagulation factor XI

#### Kind

Protein

#### Organism

Human

#### Pharmacological action

Yes

#### Actions

Activator

#### General Function

Serine-type endopeptidase activity

#### Specific Function

Factor XI triggers the middle phase of the intrinsic pathway of blood coagulation by activating factor IX.

#### Gene Name

F11

#### Uniprot ID

[P03951](#)

#### Uniprot Name

Coagulation factor XI

#### Molecular Weight

70108.56 Da

#### References

1. Crawley JT, Zanardelli S, Chion CK, Lane DA: The central role of thrombin in hemostasis. *J Thromb Haemost*. 2007 Jul;5 Suppl 1:95-101. doi: 10.1111/j.1538-7836.2007.02500.x. [[PubMed:17635715](#)]

### 4. Coagulation factor XIII A chain



Human

### Pharmacological action

Yes

### Actions

Activator

### General Function

Protein-glutamine gamma-glutamyltransferase activity

### Specific Function

Factor XIII is activated by thrombin and calcium ion to a transglutaminase that catalyzes the formation of gamma-glutamyl-epsilon-lysine cross-links between fibrin chains, thus stabilizing the fibr...

### Gene Name

F13A1

### Uniprot ID

[P00488](#)

### Uniprot Name

Coagulation factor XIII A chain

### Molecular Weight

83266.805 Da

## 5. Coagulation factor XIII B chain

### Kind

Protein

### Organism

Human

### Pharmacological action

Yes

### Actions

Activator

### General Function

The B chain of factor XIII is not catalytically active, but is thought to stabilize the A subunits and regulate the rate of transglutaminase formation by thrombin.



F13B

**Uniprot ID**[P05160](#)**Uniprot Name**

Coagulation factor XIII B chain

**Molecular Weight**

75510.1 Da

**References**

1. Crawley JT, Zanardelli S, Chion CK, Lane DA: The central role of thrombin in hemostasis. J Thromb Haemost. 2007 Jul;5 Suppl 1:95-101. doi: 10.1111/j.1538-7836.2007.02500.x. [[PubMed:17635715](#)]

**6. Fibrinogen alpha chain****Kind**

Protein

**Organism**

Human

**Pharmacological action** Yes**Actions** Activator**General Function**

Structural molecule activity

**Specific Function**

Cleaved by the protease thrombin to yield monomers which, together with fibrinogen beta (FGB) and fibrinogen gamma (FGG), polymerize to form an insoluble fibrin matrix. Fibrin has a major function ...

**Gene Name**

FGA

**Uniprot ID**[P02671](#)**Uniprot Name**



## 7. Fibrinogen beta chain

### Kind

Protein

### Organism

Human

### Pharmacological action

Yes

### Actions

Activator

### General Function

Structural molecule activity

### Specific Function

Cleaved by the protease thrombin to yield monomers which, together with fibrinogen alpha (FGA) and fibrinogen gamma (FGG), polymerize to form an insoluble fibrin matrix. Fibrin has a major function...

### Gene Name

FGB

### Uniprot ID

[P02675](#)

### Uniprot Name

Fibrinogen beta chain

### Molecular Weight

55927.9 Da

## 8. Fibrinogen gamma chain

### Kind

Protein

### Organism

Human



Activator

### General Function

Structural molecule activity

### Specific Function

Together with fibrinogen alpha (FGA) and fibrinogen beta (FGB), polymerizes to form an insoluble fibrin matrix. Has a major function in hemostasis as one of the primary components of blood clots. I...

### Gene Name

FGG

### Uniprot ID

[P02679](#)

### Uniprot Name

Fibrinogen gamma chain

### Molecular Weight

51511.29 Da

## 9. Coagulation factor V

### Kind

Protein

### Organism

Human

### Pharmacological action

Yes

### Actions

Activator

### General Function

Copper ion binding

### Specific Function

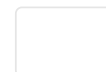
Central regulator of hemostasis. It serves as a critical cofactor for the prothrombinase activity of factor Xa that results in the activation of prothrombin to thrombin.

### Gene Name

F5

### Uniprot ID



**Molecular Weight**

251701.245 Da

**References**

1. Crawley JT, Zanardelli S, Chion CK, Lane DA: The central role of thrombin in hemostasis. J Thromb Haemost. 2007 Jul;5 Suppl 1:95-101. doi: 10.1111/j.1538-7836.2007.02500.x. [[PubMed:17635715](#)]

**10. Coagulation factor VIII****Kind**

Protein

**Organism**

Human

**Pharmacological action** Yes**Actions** Activator**General Function**

Oxidoreductase activity

**Specific Function**

Factor VIII, along with calcium and phospholipid, acts as a cofactor for factor IXa when it converts factor X to the activated form, factor Xa.

**Gene Name**

F8

**Uniprot ID**[P00451](#)**Uniprot Name**

Coagulation factor VIII

**Molecular Weight**

267007.42 Da



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