#### **Mouse Recombinant IL-6**

## **Cytokines**

Interleukin 6



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Catalog #78052.1 10 μg 78052 100 μg 78052.2 1000 μg

### **Product Description**

Interleukin 6 (IL-6) is a pleiotropic growth factor with a wide range of biological activities in immune regulation, hematopoiesis, and oncogenesis. IL-6 is produced by a variety of cell types including T cells, B cells, monocytes and macrophages, fibroblasts, hepatocytes, vascular endothelial cells, and various tumor cell lines. IL-6 signals through a cell surface type I cytokine receptor complex consisting of the ligand-binding IL-6 $\alpha$  (CD126) and the signal-transducing gp130 subunits. The binding of IL-6 to its receptor system includes activation of the JAK/STAT signaling pathway (Mihara et al.; Peters et al.; Tanaka et al.). On its own or in combination with other factors such as IL-2 and interferon- $\gamma$ , IL-6 stimulates the proliferation of B cells, T cells, and hybridoma cells (Nordan et al.; Van Snick et al.; Gauldie et al.; Mihara et al.; Tanaka et al). In combination with cytokines such as IL-3, GM-CSF, and SCF, IL-6 has been shown to promote hematopoietic progenitor cell proliferation and differentiation in vitro.

### **Product Information**

Alternative Names: B cell differentiation factor, BSF-2, IFN-β2, Interleukin-6

Accession Number: P08505

Amino Acid Sequence: MFPTSQVRRG DFTEDTTPNR PVYTTSQVGG LITHVLWEIV EMRKELCNGN SDCMNNDDAL AENNLKLPEI

QRNDGCYQTG YNQEICLLKI SSGLLEYHSY LEYMKNNLKD NKKDKARVLQ RDTETLIHIF NQEVKDLHKI

VLPTPISNAL LTDKLESQKE WLRTKTIQFI LKSLEEFLKV TLRSTRQT

Predicted Molecular Mass: 21.9 kDa Species: Mouse

Formulation: Lyophilized from a sterile-filtered aqueous solution containing 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA).

Source: E. coli

# Specifications

Activity: The specific activity is ≥ 1 x 10<sup>6</sup> units/mg (EC50 ≤ 50 pg/mL) as determined by cell proliferation assay using B9

cells.

Purity:  $\geq 95\%$ 

Endotoxin Level: Measured by kinetic Limulus amebocyte lysate (LAL) analysis and is ≤ 1 EU/µg protein.

## Preparation and Storage

Storage: Store at -20 to -80°C.

Stability: Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.

Preparation: Centrifuge vial before opening. Reconstitute the product in 10 mM hydrochloric acid to at least 0.1 mg/mL by

pipetting the solution down the sides of the vial. Do not vortex.

OPTIONAL: After reconstitution, if product will not be used immediately, dilute with concentrated bovine serum albumin (BSA) to a final BSA concentration of 0.1%. The effect of storage of stock solution on product performance should be tested for each application. As a general guide, do not store at 2 - 8°C for more than

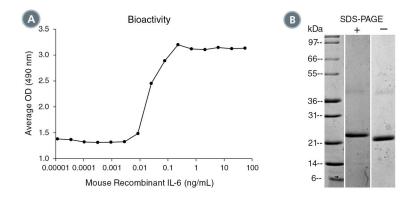
1 month or at -80°C for more than 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

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### Data



- (A) The biological activity of Mouse Recombinant IL-6 was tested by its ability to promote the proliferation of B9 cells. The EC50 is defined as the effective concentration of the growth factor at which cell proliferation is at 50% of maximum. The EC50 in the above example is 0.0217 ng/mL.
- (B) 1 µg of Mouse Recombinant IL-6 was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining. Mouse Recombinant IL-6 has a predicted molecular mass of 21.9 kDa.

### **Related Products**

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