Product Description

Macrophage inflammatory protein-1 beta (MIP-1 beta), also known as CCL4, is a member of CC family of chemokines and is most closely related to CCL3 or MIP-1 alpha. MIP-1 beta is predominantly synthesized by activated CD8+ T cells, specifically the perforin-low memory CD8+ T cells (Kamin-Lewis et al.). MIP-1 beta signals through CCR5 which is the major coreceptor required for entry of certain strains of HIV-1 into permissive cells and it is known that HIV-1-specific CD8+ T cell clones that exhibit cytotoxic T lymphocyte (CTL) activity secrete MIP-1 beta upon encounter with sensitized target cells (Menten et al.). MIP-1 beta attracts a variety of immune cells to sites of microbial infection. In vitro experiments show that human MIP-1 beta tends to attract CD4+ T lymphocytes, preferentially of the naive (CD45RA) phenotype (Schall et al.). In addition to its chemotactic functions, MIP-1 beta induces the release of proinflammatory cytokines, mast cell degranulation, and NK cell activation (Schall et al.). It has been shown that there is an increased expression of MIP-1 beta in CD8+ and CD4+ T cells on the site of inflammation in sarcoidosis patients (Barczyk et al.).

Product Information

Alternative Names: ACT-2, Immune activation protein 2, LAG-1, Lymphocyte activation gene 1 protein, MIP-1b, Protein H400, SCYA2, SCYA4, Small-inducible cytokine A4, T-cell activation protein 2

Accession Number: P13236

Amino Acid Sequence: APMGSDPPTA CCFSYTARKL PRNFVVDYYE TSSLCSQP AV VFQTKRSDKQV CADPSESWVQ EYVYDLELN

Predicted Molecular Mass: 7.6 kDa

Species: Human

Cross Reactivity: Mouse, Rat

Formulation: Lyophilized after dialysis against phosphate-buffered saline.

Source: E. coli

Specifications

Activity: The specific activity is ≥ 1 x 10^4 units/mg (EC50 ≤ 0.1 μg/mL) as determined by Ca2+ mobilization assay in CHO-K1/Gα15/CCR5 cells (human Gα15 and human CCR5 stably expressed in CHO-K1 cells).

Purity: ≥ 95 %

Endotoxin Level: Measured by kinetic limulus amebocyte lysate (LAL) analysis and is ≤ 0.2 EU/μg protein.

Preparation and Storage

Storage: Store at -80°C.

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

Preparation: Centrifuge vial before opening. Resuspend the product in sterile water or phosphate-buffered saline to at least 0.1 mg/mL by pipetting the solution down the sides of the vial. Do not vortex. Store at 2 - 8°C for up to 2 weeks or at -20°C to -80°C for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
**Data**

(A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant MIP-1 beta (CCL4) was tested by its ability to mobilize Ca\textsuperscript{2+} in CHO-K1/\textalpha 15/hCCR5 cells (human \textalpha 15 and human CCR5 stably expressed in CHO-K1 cells). Ca\textsuperscript{2+} mobilization was measured using a fluorometric assay method. The EC\textsubscript{50} is defined as the effective concentration of the growth factor at which Ca\textsuperscript{2+} mobilization is at 50\% of maximum. The EC\textsubscript{50} in the example above is less than 0.1 μg/mL.

(B) 1 μg of Human Recombinant MIP-1 beta (CCL4) was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining. Human Recombinant MIP-1 beta (CCL4) has a predicted molecular mass of 7.6 kDa.

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**References**

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