

Cytokines

Human Recombinant IFN-beta



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Interferon-beta

5 µg
25 µg

Product Description

Interferon beta (IFN-β), also known as type I interferon, is produced by fibroblasts, and in smaller amounts by plasmacytoid dendritic cells. Macrophages and endothelial cells secrete IFN-β in response to a viral infection (Reeder & Feng). IFN-β binds to a receptor complex composed of IFNAR1 and IFNAR2, and initiates signal transduction via the JAK/STAT pathway; this culminates in the transcription and activation of many genes that control dendritic cell activation, T cell survival, NK cell activation, chemokine expression, lymph node retention, and antiproliferative and antiviral effects (Dunn et al.). IFN-β is a first-line treatment for multiple sclerosis. It suppresses Th17 cells by affecting expression of IL-4, IL-10, and IL-27. IFN-β was also shown to expand regulatory T cells and limit T cell trafficking to the central nervous system (Inoue & Shinohara). Out of the two variants of IFN-β (IFN-β1 and IFN-β3), this product is the IFN-β1 form.

Product Information

Alternative Names: B cell interferon, Fibroblast interferon, IFNB1, Leukocyte interferon, Type I interferon
Accession Number: P01574
Amino Acid Sequence: MSYNLLGLFLQ RSSNFQCQKL LWQLNGRLEY CLKDRMNFDI PEEIKQLQQF QKEDAALTIY EMLQNIFAIF RQDSSSTGWN ETIVENLLAN VYHQINHLKT VLEEKLEKED FTRGKLMSSL HLKRYRGRIL HYLKAKEYSH CAWTIVRVEI LRNFYFINRL TGYLRN
Predicted Molecular Mass: 20 kDa
Species: Human
Cross Reactivity: Mouse
Formulation: Lyophilized after dialysis against phosphate-buffered saline.
Source: HEK293

Specifications

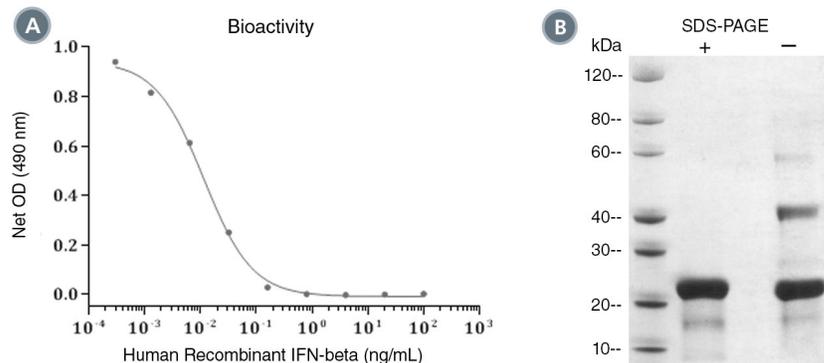
Activity: The specific activity is $\geq 1.0 \times 10^7$ units/mg ($EC_{50} \leq 0.1$ ng/mL) as determined by a cell proliferation assay using TF-1 cells.
Purity: $\geq 95\%$
Endotoxin Level: Measured by kinetic Limulus amoebocyte lysate (LAL) analysis and is ≤ 0.2 EU/µg protein.

Preparation and Storage

Storage: Store at -80°C.
Stability: Stable as supplied for 12 months from date of receipt.
Preparation: Centrifuge vial before opening. Reconstitute the product in sterile water 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 week or at -20°C for more than 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Data



(A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant IFN-beta was tested by its ability to inhibit the proliferation of TF-1 cells. Inhibition of cell proliferation was measured using a fluorometric assay method. The EC50 is defined as the effective concentration of the growth factor at which cell proliferation inhibition is at 50% of maximum. The EC50 in the above example is less than 0.1 ng/mL.

(B) 2 µg of Human Recombinant IFN-beta was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining. Human Recombinant IFN-beta has a predicted molecular mass of 20 kDa.

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