### **Cytokines**

#### **Human Recombinant IL-12**

Interleukin 12

Catalog # 78027.1 5 μg

78027 25 μg



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### **Product Description**

Interleukin 12 (IL-12p70) is a heterodimeric cytokine composed of p35 and p40 subunits. IL-12 is produced by monocytes, macrophages, dendritic cells, neutrophils, and B cells in response to bacterial products and cytokines such as IFN- $\gamma$ . The IL-12 receptor is expressed on T, NK, and dendritic cells. Upon binding, IL-12 initiates signaling via the JAK/STAT signaling pathway and stimulates NK, B, and T cells to produce IFN- $\gamma$  (Watford et al.). It also regulates cytokine synthesis, proliferation of T and NK cells, and stimulates differentiation of CD4+ and CD8+ T cells (Germann & Rüde). Mice that are deficient in IL-12 are susceptible to many intracellular pathogens and have impaired IFN- $\gamma$  secretion, Th1 differentiation, and NK cytolytic activity; however, Th2 development and IL-4 production are enhanced (Watford et al.).

#### **Product Information**

Alternative Names: CTL maturation factor, Cytotoxic lymphocyte maturation factor, IL-12p70, Interleukin-12, Natural killer cells

stimulator factor, NKSF

Accession Number: p35 Subunit: P29459

p40 Subunit: P29460

Amino Acid Sequence: p35 Subunit: RNLPVATPDP GMFPCLHHSQ NLLRAVSNML QKARQTLEFY PCTSEEIDHE DITKDKTSTV

EACLPLELTK NESCLNSRET SFITNGSCLA SRKTSFMMAL CLSSIYEDLK MYQVEFKTMN AKLLMDPKRQ

IFLDQNMLAV IDELMQALNF NSETVPQKSS LEEPDFYKTK IKLCILLHAF RIRAVTIDRV MSYLNAS

p40 Subunit: IWELKKDVYV VELDWYPDAP GEMVVLTCDT PEEDGITWTL DQSSEVLGSG KTLTIQVKEF GDAGQYTCHK GGEVLSHSLL LLHKKEDGIW STDILKDQKE PKNKTFLRCE AKNYSGRFTC WWLTTISTDL TFSVKSSRGS SDPQGVTCGA ATLSAERVRG DNKEYEYSVE CQEDSACPAA EESLPIEVMV DAVHKLKYEN YTSSFFIRDI IKPDPPKNLQ LKPLKNSRQV EVSWEYPDTW STPHSYFSLT FCVQVQGKSK REKKDRVFTD

KTSATVICRK NASISVRAQD RYYSSSWSEW ASVPCS

Predicted Molecular Mass: p35 Subunit: 22.5 kDa; p40 Subunit: 34.7 kDa

Species: Human

Cross Reactivity: Mouse, Monkey

Formulation: Lyophilized after dialysis against phosphate-buffered saline.

Source: HEK293

### **Specifications**

Activity: The specific activity is  $\geq 5 \times 10^5$  units/mg (EC50  $\leq 2$  ng/mL) as determined by the induction of IFN- $\gamma$  from

NK cells co-stimulated with IL-18.

Purity:  $\geq 95\%$ 

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. Reconstitute the product in sterile water to at least 0.1 mg/mL by pipetting the

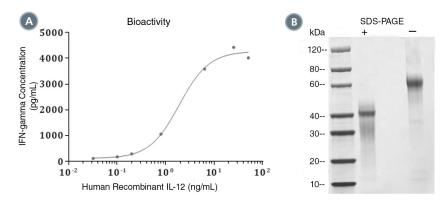
solution down the sides of the vial. Do not vortex. As a general guide, do not store at 2 - 8°C for more than

1 week or at -20°C for more than 2 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

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### Data



- (A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant IL-12 was tested by its ability to produce IFN-gamma in NK cells co-stimulated with IL-18. The EC50 is defined as the effective concentration of the growth factor at which IFN-gamma production is at 50% of maximum. The EC50 in the above example is less than 2 ng/mL.
- (B) 2 µg of Human Recombinant IL-12 was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining. Human Recombinant IL-12 has a predicted molecular mass of 57.2 kDa.

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#### References

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