### Human Recombinant IL-15

**Cytokines** 

Interleukin 15

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Catalog # 78031.1 10 μg 78031 100 μg 78031.2 500 μg 78031.3 1000 μg

## **Product Description**

Interleukin 15 (IL-15) is a four-alpha helix bundle cytokine with many similar properties to IL-2, with which it shares components of its receptor. The IL-15 receptor is a heterotrimeric receptor composed of IL-15Ra (the high-affinity receptor for IL-15) as well as IL-2/15Rb (CD122) and common gamma chain (CD132). IL-15 binds to IL-15Rα receptor and can then be presented in trans to IL-2/15Rb and common gamma chain on other cells. Trans-presentation is thought to be the major mechanism by which IL-15-mediated responses occur in mice, although may not be necessary in humans (Castillo et al.). The cytoplasmic domains of IL-2/15Rb and common gamma chain mediate signaling to activate JAK/STAT and PI3K pathways. IL-15 supports the survival and proliferation of naïve CD4+ and CD8+ T cells, and promotes homeostasis of memory T cells. IL-15 also promotes the survival and differentiation of NK cells and regulates their cytolytic activity (Ma et al.).

### **Product Information**

Alternative Names: IL-T, Interleukin-15

Accession Number: P40933

Amino Acid Sequence: MNWVNVISDL KKIEDLIQSM HIDATLYTES DVHPSCKVTA MKCFLLELQV ISLESGDASI HDTVENLIIL

ANNSLSSNGN VTESGCKECE ELEEKNIKEF LQSFVHIVQM FINTS

Predicted Molecular Mass: 12.9 kDa Species: Human

Cross Reactivity: Mouse, Rat, Monkey

Formulation: Lyophilized from a sterile-filtered aqueous solution containing sodium bicarbonate, pH 8.5.

Source: E. coli

## Specifications

Activity: The specific activity is  $\geq 2 \times 10^5$  units/mg (EC50  $\leq 5$  ng/mL) as determined by a cell proliferation assay

using CTLL-2 cells.

Purity:  $\geq 95\%$ 

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

## Preparation and Storage

Storage: Store at -20°C to -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

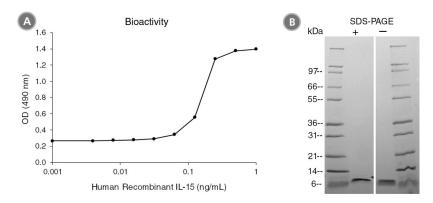
1 month or at -80°C for more than 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

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#### Data



- (A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant IL-15 was tested by its ability to promote the proliferation of CTLL-2 cells growing in the presence of other cytokines and stimuli. Cell proliferation was measured after 65 hours of culture using a fluorometric assay method. 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 0.13 0.19 ng/mL.
- (B) 1 µg of Human Recombinant IL-15 was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining. Human Recombinant IL-15 has a predicted molecular mass of 12.9 kDa.

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### References

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