## **Cytokines**

#### **Human Recombinant IL-1 alpha**

Interleukin 1 alpha

10 µg



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Catalog # 78115

78115.1 100 μg

## **Product Description**

Interleukin 1 alpha (IL- $1\alpha$ ) is a member of the IL-1 family and a dual-function cytokine. Both the unprocessed precursor and a processed IL- $1\alpha$  protein signal through IL-1 receptor type 1 (IL-1R1). Various cells, including keratinocytes, thymic epithelium, hepatocytes, endothelial cells, fibroblasts, and the epithelial cells of mucous membranes have high levels of intracellular IL- $1\alpha$  precursor. The precursor is also expressed on the surface of monocytes and B lymphocytes (Netea et al.). IL- $1\alpha$  recruits infiltrating cells to a site of injury during necrosis and plays an important role during processes of sterile inflammation (Rider et al.; Cohen et al.). During hypoxia, IL- $1\alpha$  contributes to angiogenesis (Carmi et al.). Studies in mice show that IL- $1\alpha$  is produced by microglia-like cells after ischemic brain injury, which contributes to the inflammation (Luheshi et al.).

#### **Product Information**

Alternative Names: BAF, B-cell-activating factor, Epidermal cell-derived thymocyte-activating factor, ETAF, FAF, Fibroblast-

activating factor, IL-1F1, LAF, LEM, Leukocyte Endogenous Mediator, Lymphocyte-activating factor, MCF,

Mononuclear Cell Factor

Accession Number: P01583

Amino Acid Sequence: SAPFSFLSNV KYNFMRIIKY EFILNDALNQ SIIRANDQYL TAAALHNLDE AVKFDMGAYK SSKDDAKITV

ILRISKTQLY VTAQDEDQPV LLKEMPEIPK TITGSETNLL FFWETHGTKN YFTSVAHPNL FIATKQDYWV

CLAGGPPSIT DFQILENQA

Predicted Molecular Mass: 18 kDa Species: Human

Cross Reactivity: Not determined

Formulation: Lyophilized from a sterile filtered aqueous solution containing sodium phosphate, pH 7.5.

Source: E. coli

### Specifications

Activity: The specific activity is ≥ 2.0 x 10^7 units/mg (EC50 ≤ 50 pg/mL) as determined by a cell proliferation assay

of D10S cells.

Purity:  $\geq 95\%$ 

Endotoxin Level: Measured by kinetic Limulus amebocyte lysate (LAL) analysis and is ≤ 1.0 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. Resuspend the product in sterile water containing 0.1% bovine serum

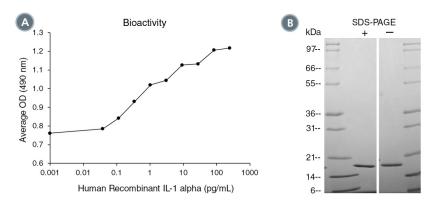
albumin (BSA) to at least 0.1 mg/mL by pipetting the solution down the sides of the vial. Do not vortex. Store at 2 - 8°C for up to 1 month or at -20°C to -80°C for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

NOTE: If reconstituted product will be used immediately BSA is not required.

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#### Data



(A) The biological activity of Human Recombinant IL-1 alpha was tested by its ability to promote the proliferation of D10S cells. Cell proliferation was measured after 42 hours 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 0.68 pg/mL.

(B) 1 µg of Human Recombinant IL-1 alpha was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (+) and non-reducing (-) conditions and visualized by Coomassie Blue staining.

### **Related Products**

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