

DESCRIPTION

Source *E. coli*-derived
Ser19-Asn178, with an N-terminal Met
Accession # P22301

N-terminal Sequence Analysis Met

Structure / Form Noncovalently-linked homodimer

Predicted Molecular Mass 18.8 kDa

SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE 18.4 kDa, reducing conditions

Activity Measured in a cell proliferation assay using MC/9-2 mouse mast cells. Thompson-Snipes, L. *et al.* (1991) *J. Exp. Med.* **173**:507.
The ED₅₀ for this effect is 0.15-0.75 ng/mL.

Endotoxin Level <0.10 EU per 1 µg of the protein by the LAL method.

Purity >97%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.

Formulation Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution Reconstitute at 10 µg/mL in sterile PBS containing at least 0.1% human or bovine serum albumin.

Shipping The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.

Stability & Storage **Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.**

- 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.
- 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.
- 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

BACKGROUND

Interleukin 10, also known as cytokine synthesis inhibitory factor (CSIF), is the charter member of the IL-10 family of α-helical cytokines that also includes IL-19, IL-20, IL-22, IL-24, and IL-26/AK155 (1, 2). IL-10 is secreted by many activated hematopoietic cell types as well as hepatic stellate cells, keratinocytes, and placental cytotrophoblasts (2 - 5). Mature human IL-10 shares 72% - 86% amino acid sequence identity with bovine, canine, equine, feline, mouse, ovine, porcine, and rat IL-10. Whereas human IL-10 is active on mouse cells, mouse IL-10 does not act on human cells (6, 7). IL-10 is a 178 amino acid molecule that contains two intrachain disulfide bridges and is expressed as a 36 kDa noncovalently associated homodimer (6, 8, 9). The IL-10 dimer binds to two IL-10 Rα/IL-10 R1 chains, resulting in recruitment of two IL-10 Rβ/IL-10 R2 chains and activation of a signaling cascade involving JAK1, TYK2, and STAT3 (10). IL-10 Rβ does not bind IL-10 by itself but is required for signal transduction (1). IL-10 Rβ also associates with IL-20 Rα, IL-22 Rα, or IL-28 Rα to form the receptor complexes for IL-22, IL-26, IL-28, and IL-29 (11 - 13). IL-10 is a critical molecule in the control of viral infections and allergic and autoimmune inflammation (14 - 16). It promotes phagocytic uptake and Th2 responses but suppresses antigen presentation and Th1 proinflammatory responses (2).

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