Certificate of Analysis

Human Interferon Alpha B2 (Alpha 8)

Catalog No: 11115-1

Lot No:

Size: 1 x 10⁵ units/vial

Description: Recombinant Human Interferon Alpha B2 (Alpha 8) (Hu-IFN- B2; Hu-IFN- 8)

Volume:

units/ml (MDBK/VSV) **Activity:** x 10

units/mg (MDBK/VSV) Specific Activity: x 10

Buffer: Phosphate buffered saline (PBS) containing 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA)

Endotoxin: < 1 EU/ g Molecular Weight: 19.5 kDa

Purity: - 95%

Purification Method: Purified from *E. coli* by a combination of ion exchange, hydrophobic interaction and size exclusion

chromatography

Source: cDNA obtained from human leukocyte mRNA expressed in E. coli

Human Gene: IFNA8 Synonyms: Hu-IFN- 8 Accession #: X03125

Assay Used to Measure Bioactivity: Interferon was titrated with the use of the cytopathic effect inhibition assay as listed

Bovine (MDBK/VSV). performed as described [Rubinstein, et al. (1981) J. Virol. 37(2):755]. The EC₅₀ for interferon in this assay is ~5 U/ml. Lot Activity was derived from multiple determinations in the above assay.

Human (A549/EMCV). performed as described [Budd, et al. (1985) Canc. Chem. Pharm. 12:39]. The EC₅₀ for interferon x 10 units/ml Specific Activity: in this assay is ~1 U/ml. **Activity**: x 10

The units are determined by use of a Human IFN Alpha A (Hu-IFN- A [2a]) laboratory standard calibrated to the international reference standard for Human Interferon Alpha A (Hu-IFN- A [2a]) provided by the National Institutes of Health [Meager, et al (2001). J. Immunol. Meth. 257(1-2):17-33]. Please note that IFN assays vary between labs and assay systems [Meager, et al. (2001) J. Immunol. Meth. 257:17. Meager and Das (2005) J. Immunol. Meth. 306:1].

Shipping Conditions: Dry Ice

Physical State of Product During Shipping: Frozen

Storage Conditions/Comments: After receipt, the product should be kept at -70°C or below for retention of full activity. When thawing, the contents of the tube should be apportioned in separate tubes so that freezing and thawing is kept to a minimum. Refreezing should be done on dry ice or in a dry ice/alcohol bath. Further dilution of the product should be in buffers containing protein such as 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) or Tissue Culture Media with serum. Dilute for freezing of material below 2 x 10⁵ units/ml is not recommended. One freeze-thaw cycle is equivalent to thawing an aliquot prepared from the material received. [The activity measured after one freeze-thaw cycle is x 10 units/ml (MDBK/VSV)]. For more information on protein handling, visit our Resource Library at www.pblassaysci.com.

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