

DESCRIPTION

Source	<i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i> , Sf 21 (baculovirus)-derived human IL-23 protein		
	Human IL-23 p40 (Ile23-Ser328) Accession # P29460	GSGSSRGGSGSGSGGGGSKL	Human IL-23 p19 (Arg20-Pro189) Accession # AAG37232
	N-terminus		C-terminus
N-terminal Sequence Analysis	ILe23 (IL-23 single chain & p40) & Ala21 (p19)		
Predicted Molecular Mass	55.0 kDa (IL-23 single chain), 36.5 kDa (p40), 18.5 kDa (p19)		

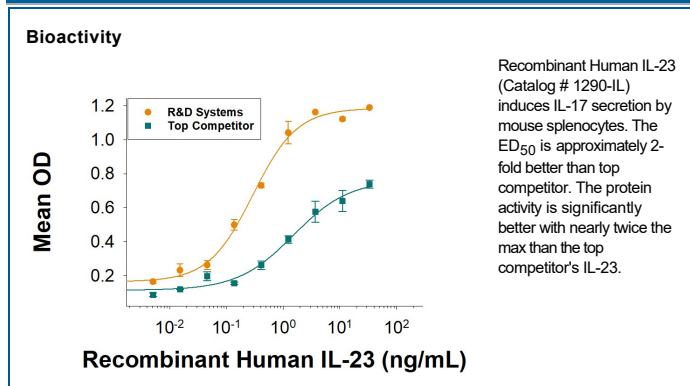
SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE	65 kDa, 43-45 kDa and 20 kDa, reducing conditions
Activity	Measured by its ability to induce IL-17 secretion by mouse splenocytes. Aggarwal, S. <i>et al.</i> (2003) J. Biol. Chem. 278 :1910. The ED ₅₀ for this effect is 0.05-0.3 ng/mL.
Endotoxin Level	<1.0 EU per 1 µg of the protein by the LAL method.
Purity	>95%, by SDS-PAGE visualized with Silver Staining and quantitative densitometry by Coomassie® Blue Staining.
Formulation	Supplied as a 0.2 µm filtered solution in MES, NaCl and EDTA. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Shipping	The product is shipped with dry ice or equivalent. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.
Stability & Storage	<p>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied. • 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after opening. • 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after opening.

DATA



BACKGROUND

Interleukin 23 (IL-23) is a heterodimeric cytokine composed of two disulfide-linked subunits, a p19 subunit that is unique to IL-23, and a p40 subunit that is shared with IL-12 (1-5). The p19 subunit has homology to the p35 subunit of IL-12, as well as to other single chain cytokines such as IL-6 and IL-11. The p40 subunit is homologous to the extracellular domains of the hematopoietic cytokine receptors. Human p19 cDNA encodes a 189 amino acid residue (aa) precursor protein with a putative 19 aa signal peptide and 170 aa mature protein. Human and mouse p19 share 70% aa sequence identity. Although p19 is expressed by activated macrophages, dendritic cells, T cells, and endothelial cells, only activated macrophages and dendritic cells express p40 concurrently to produce IL-23. The functional IL-23 receptor complex consists of two receptor subunits, the IL-12 receptor beta 1 subunit (IL-12 R β 1) and the IL-23-specific receptor subunit (IL-23 R). IL-23 has biological activities that are similar to, but distinct from IL-12. Both IL-12 and IL-23 induce proliferation and IFN- γ production by human T cells. While IL-12 acts on both naïve and memory human T cells, the effects of IL-23 is restricted to memory T cells. In mouse, IL-23 but not IL-12, has also been shown to induce memory T cells to secrete IL-17, a potent proinflammatory cytokine. IL-12 and IL-23 can induce IL-12 production from mouse splenic DC of both the CD8⁻ and CD8⁺ subtypes, however only IL-23 can act directly on CD8⁺ DC to mediate immunogenic presentation of poorly immunogenic tumor/self peptide.

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