

DESCRIPTION

Source	<i>E. coli</i> -derived human CCL14a/HCC-1 protein		
	M	Human CCL14a/HCC-1 (Gly28-Asn93) Accession # Q16627	WIGDPS
	N-terminus		C-terminus

N-terminal Sequence Met

Analysis

Predicted Molecular Mass 7.9 kDa

SPECIFICATIONS

Activity	Measured by its ability to chemoattract BaF3 mouse pro-B cells transfected with human CCR1. The ED ₅₀ 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 100 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	<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 reconstitution. • 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

BACKGROUND

HCC-1 (Hemofiltrate CC Chemokine-1) was originally isolated from the hemofiltrate of human patients with chronic renal failure (1). It belongs to the CC chemokine superfamily and has been designated CCL14a. HCC-1/CCL14a cDNA encodes a 93 amino acid (aa) residue precursor with a 19 aa signal peptide that is cleaved to form the 74 aa mature secreted proprotein. By alternative splicing, a second longer isoform named HCC-3/CCL14b, which includes sequences from exon 3, also exists (2). HCC-1/CCL14a is expressed constitutively in various normal tissues including spleen, liver, muscle, gut and bone marrow. It circulates at nanomolar concentrations in human plasma. Different post-translationally modified HCC-1/CCL14a, including O-glycosylated and N-terminally truncated variants of HCC-1/CCL14a, have been identified (3, 4). Whereas the 74 aa mature propeptide is a weak CCR1 agonist, the proteolytically processed truncated HCC-1/CCL14a (aa 28 - 93) is a highly potent agonist of CCR1, CCR5 and to a lesser extent, CCR3. HCC-1/CCL14a (aa 28 - 93) promotes chemotaxis of T lymphocytes, monocytes and eosinophils, and inhibits infection of M-tropic human immunodeficiency virus type 1. Activation of the HCC-1/CCL14a propeptide to active peptide is mediated by the urokinase type plasminogen activator or plasmin (5).

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