

DESCRIPTION

Source *E. coli*-derived human IL-2 protein
Ala21-Thr153, with an N-terminal Met
Accession # P60568.1
Produced using non-animal reagents in an animal-free laboratory.
Manufactured and tested under cGMP guidelines.

N-terminal Sequence Analysis Met-Ala₂₁-Pro-Thr-Ser-Ser-Ser-Thr-Lys-Lys

Predicted Molecular Mass 15.5 kDa

SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE 13 kDa, reducing conditions

Activity Measured in a cell proliferation assay using CTLL-2 mouse cytotoxic T cells. Gearing, A.J.H. and C.B. Bird (1987) in *Lymphokines and Interferons, A Practical Approach*. Clemens, M.J. *et al.* (eds): IRL Press. 295.
The ED₅₀ for this effect is 0.05-0.25 ng/mL.

The specific activity of recombinant human IL-2 is $>5.0 \times 10^6$ IU/mg, which is calibrated against the human IL-2 WHO International Standard (NIBSC code: 86/500).

Endotoxin Level <0.01 EU per 1 µg of the protein by the LAL method.

Purity >97%, by SDS-PAGE with silver staining, under reducing conditions.

Mass Spectrometry Intact mass analysis of recombinant human IL-2 confirms the predicted molecular mass of 15549 Da.

Host Cell Protein <0.5 ng per µg of protein when tested by ELISA.

Mycoplasma Negative for Mycoplasma.

Host Cell DNA <0.0015 ng per µg of protein when tested by PCR.

Formulation Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in Acetonitrile and TFA. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution Reconstitute at 100 µg/mL in 100 mM acetic acid. Alternatively, reconstitute at 100 µg/mL in sterile deionized water and use within 24 hours, store at 2 to 8 °C.

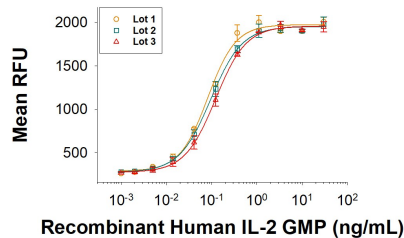
Shipping The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.

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

- A minimum of 12 months when stored at ≤ -20 °C as supplied. Refer to lot specific COA for the Use by Date.
- 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.
- 3 months, ≤ -20 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

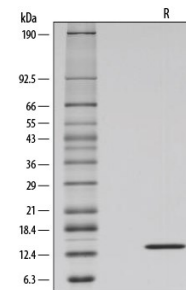
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Bioactivity



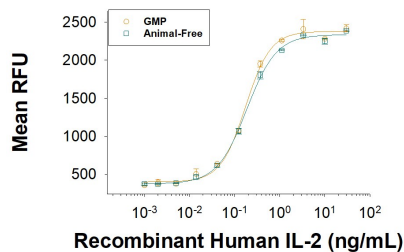
Recombinant Human IL-2 GMP Protein Bioactivity GMP-grade Recombinant Human IL-2 (Catalog # 202-GMP) stimulates cell proliferation of the CTLL-2 mouse cytotoxic T cell line. The ED₅₀ for this effect is 0.05-0.25 ng/mL. Three independent lots were tested for activity and plotted on the same graph to show lot-to-lot consistency of GMP IL-2.

SDS-PAGE



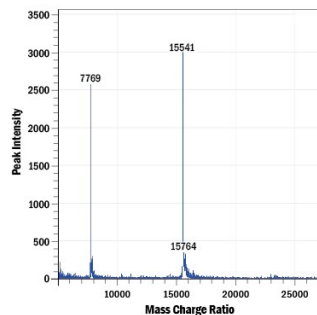
Recombinant Human IL-2 GMP Protein SDS-PAGE 1 µg/lane of GMP-grade Recombinant Human IL-2 (Catalog # 202-GMP) was resolved with SDS-PAGE under reducing (R) conditions and visualized by silver staining, showing a single band at 13 kDa.

Bioactivity



Equivalent Bioactivity of GMP and Animal-Free grades of Recombinant Human IL-2 Equivalent bioactivity of GMP (Catalog # 202-GMP) and Animal-Free (Catalog # AFL202) grades of Recombinant Human IL-2 as measured in a cell proliferation assay using CTLL 2 mouse cytotoxic T cells (orange and green, respectively).

Mass Spectrometry



Recombinant Human IL-2 GMP Protein Mass Spectrometry MALDI-TOF analysis of GMP-grade Recombinant Human IL-2 (Catalog # 202-GMP). The major peak corresponds to the calculated molecular mass, 15549 Da. The minor peak at 15764 Da is a matrix-associated artifact of the MALDI-TOF.

BACKGROUND

Interleukin-2 (IL-2) is a O-glycosylated, four α -helix bundle cytokine that has potent stimulatory activity for antigen-activated T cells. It is expressed by CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells, $\gamma\delta$ T cells, B cells, dendritic cells, and eosinophils (1-3). Mature human IL-2 shares 56% and 66% aa sequence identity with mouse and rat IL-2, respectively. Human and mouse IL-2 exhibit cross-species activity (4). The receptor for IL-2 consists of three subunits that are present on the cell surface in varying preformed complexes (5-7). The 55 kDa IL-2 R α is specific for IL-2 and binds with low affinity. The 75 kDa IL-2 R β , which is also a component of the IL-15 receptor, binds IL-2 with intermediate affinity. The 64 kDa common gamma chain γ c/IL-2 R γ , which is shared with the receptors for IL-4, -7, -9, -15, and -21, does not independently interact with IL-2. Upon ligand binding, signal transduction is performed by both IL-2 R β and γ c. IL-2 is best known for its autocrine and paracrine activity on T cells. It drives resting T cells to proliferate and induces IL-2 and IL-2 R α synthesis (1, 2). It contributes to T cell homeostasis by promoting the Fas-induced death of naïve CD4⁺ T cells but not activated CD4⁺ memory lymphocytes (8). IL-2 plays a central role in the expansion and maintenance of regulatory T cells, although it inhibits the development of Th17 polarized cells (9-11). Thus, IL-2 may be a key cytokine in the natural suppression of autoimmunity (12, 13).

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