

DESCRIPTION

Source Mouse myeloma cell line, NS0-derived
Met1-Asn247, with a C-terminal 10-His tag
Accession # P23946

N-terminal Sequence Analysis Gly20

Structure / Form Pro form

Predicted Molecular Mass 27 kDa

SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE 38 kDa, reducing conditions

Activity Measured by its ability to cleave the fluorogenic peptide substrate, SUC-Ala-Ala-Pro-Phe-AMC.
The specific activity is >80 pmol/min/μg, as measured under the described conditions.

Endotoxin Level <1.0 EU per 1 μg of the protein by the LAL method.

Purity >90%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.

Formulation Supplied as a 0.2 μm filtered solution in HEPES and NaCl. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

Activity Assay Protocol

- Materials**
- Maturation Buffer: 50 mM MES, pH 5.5
 - Cathepsin Buffer: 50 mM MES, 50 mM NaCl, 5 mM DTT, pH 5.5
 - Assay Buffer: 20 mM Tris, 2 M KCl, 0.02% (v/v) Triton® X-100, pH 9.0
 - Recombinant Human Chymase/CMA1 (rhChymase) (Catalog # 4099-SE)
 - Recombinant Mouse Active Cathepsin C/DPPI (rmCathepsin C) (Catalog # 2336-C Y)
 - Heparin (Sigma, Catalog # H3393), 20 mg/mL stock in deionized water
 - N-Ethylmaleimide (NEM) (Sigma, Catalog # E1271), 50 mM stock in deionized water
 - Substrate: SUC-Ala-Ala-Pro-Phe-AMC (Bachem, Catalog # I-1465), 10 mM stock in DMSO
 - F16 Black Maxisorp Plate (Nunc, Catalog # 475515)
 - Fluorescent Plate Reader (Model: SpectraMax Gemini EM by Molecular Devices) or equivalent

- Assay**
1. Dilute rhChymase to 20 μg/mL in Maturation Buffer.
 2. Dilute rmCathepsin C to 20 μg/mL in Cathepsin Buffer.
 3. Dilute Heparin to 1.5 mg/mL in deionized water.
 4. Combine 15 μL of 20 μg/mL rhChymase and 15 μL of 20 μg/mL rmCathepsin C.
 5. Add 1 μL of Heparin and mix well.
 6. Incubate at room temperature for 1 hour.
 7. Stop maturation by adding 1.98 μL of 50 mM stock of NEM for a final concentration of 3 mM.
 8. Dilute rhChymase to 2 μg/mL in Assay Buffer.
 9. Incubate at room temperature for 5 minutes.
 10. Dilute Substrate to 200 μM in Assay Buffer.
 11. Load 50 μL of 2 μg/mL rhChymase in a plate, and start the reaction by adding 50 μL of 200 μM Substrate. As a Substrate Blank combine 50 μL of Substrate with 50 μL of Assay Buffer.
 12. Read at excitation and emission wavelengths of 380 nm and 460 nm (top read), respectively, in kinetic mode for 5 minutes.
 13. Calculate Specific Activity:

$$\text{Specific Activity (pmol/min/}\mu\text{g)} = \frac{\text{Adjusted } V_{\text{max}}^* \text{ (RFU/min)} \times \text{Conversion Factor}^{**} \text{ (pmol/RFU)}}{\text{amount of enzyme (}\mu\text{g)}}$$

*Adjusted for Substrate Blank

**Derived using calibration standard 7-amino, 4-Methyl Coumarin (Sigma, Catalog # A-9891).

- Final Assay Conditions** Per Well:
- rhChymase: 0.100 μg
 - Substrate: 100 μM

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** Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- 6 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.
 - 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after opening.

BACKGROUND

Chymases are a group of chymotrypsin-like serine proteases secreted by mast cells (1). They are synthesized as inactive precursors containing a 2-residue propeptide, which needs to be removed by dipeptidyl peptidase I/cathepsin C for the enzymatic activity (2). Human Chymase encoded by the CMA1 gene is known to be involved in hypertension and heart failure through its ability to convert angiotensin I (Ang I) to angiotensin II (Ang II), which plays a key role in the regulation of arterial pressure (3). In addition, it is also important in physiological and pathological conditions including inflammation, fibrosis and processing of cytokines (4). Therefore, designing a specific inhibitor for Chymase activity has been a pharmacologic strategy to develop therapeutic agents.

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