

#### DESCRIPTION

**Source** *E. coli*-derived human alpha-Synuclein protein  
Met1 - Ala140 with a C-terminal 6-His tag  
Accession # P37840.1

**Predicted Molecular Mass** 15 kDa

#### SPECIFICATIONS

**Activity** Recombinant Human His6- $\alpha$ -Synuclein is ideal for use as a control substrate for *in vitro* Ubiquitin conjugation using select Ubiquitin E3 ligases such as CHIP/Stub1. Reaction conditions will need to be optimized for each specific application. We recommend an initial Recombinant Human His6- $\alpha$ -Synuclein concentration of 0.5-2.5  $\mu$ M.

**Purity** >95%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by Colloidal Coomassie® Blue stain.

**Formulation** Supplied as a 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered solution in HEPES and NaCl. 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** **Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.**

- 6 months from date of receipt, -70 °C as supplied.
- 3 months, -70 °C under sterile conditions after opening.

#### BACKGROUND

$\alpha$ -Synuclein is member of a family of small soluble proteins that include also  $\beta$ -, and  $\gamma$ -Synuclein. It is predominantly expressed in neurons of the central nervous system in the presynaptic region of nerve terminals, where it cycles between a free, partially unfolded and a helical, membrane-bound form.  $\alpha$ -Synuclein can self-aggregate *in vivo* and *in vitro*, forming various oligomeric species and fibrillar and amorphous aggregates. The fibrils and amyloid forms of  $\alpha$ -Synuclein are major components of Lewy bodies and Lewy neurites and have been linked to the pathogenesis of Parkinson's Disease, Parkinson's Disease Dementia, and dementia with Lewy bodies.  $\alpha$ -Synuclein aggregates can be also found associated with amyloid plaques in Alzheimer's Disease.

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