



Recombinant Human Interleukin 15 Catalog Number: SJB08

Strength: 10µg, 100µg

Specifications and Use

Description: Recombinant human IL-15 produced in E.coli is a single, non-glycosylated, polypeptide chain containing 114 amino acids.

Source: E.coli.

Molecular Mass: Approximately 12.7kD.

Purity: ≥97%, as determined by SDS-PAGE and HPLC method.

Endotoxin Level: ≤1EU/µg, determined by the LAL method.

Biological Activity: Measured in a cell proliferation assay using CTLL-2. The specific activity shall be not less than 5×10⁷ IU/mg.

Formulation: Sterile lyophilized powder, in PBS containing 0.1% HSA, pH7.4.

Reconstitution: It is recommended that sterile PBS containing at least 0.1% human serum albumin or bovine serum albumin be added to the vial, to prepare a stock solution of not less than 100µg/ml.

Storage: Lyophilized samples are stable for greater than six months from date of receipt at -20°C to -70°C.

■ Upon reconstitution, this cytokine can be stored under sterile conditions at 2-8°C for one month or at -20° to -70°C in a manual defrost freezer for three months without detectable loss of activity.

■ **Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.**

Interleukin 15 (IL15) is a widely expressed cytokine that is structurally and functionally related to IL 2. Mature human IL15 shares 70% amino acid sequence identity with mouse and rat IL15. Alternate splicing generates isoforms of IL15 with either a long or short signal peptide (LSP or SSP), and the SSP isoform is retained intracellularly. IL15 binds with high affinity to IL15R α . It binds with lower affinity to a complex of IL2R β and the common gamma chain (γ c) which are also subunits of the IL2 receptor complex. IL15 associates with IL15R α in the endoplasmic reticulum, and this complex is expressed on the cell surface. The dominant mechanism of IL15 action is known as transpresentation in which IL15 and IL15R α are coordinately expressed on the surface of one cell and interact with complexes of IL2R β / γ c on adjacent cells. This enables cells to respond to IL15 even if they do not express IL15R α . Soluble IL15 binding forms of IL15R α can be generated by proteolytic shedding or alternate splicing. These molecules retain the ability to bind tightly to IL 15 and can either inhibit or augment IL15 function. Consistent with its shared use of IL2 receptor subunits, IL15 induces IL2like effects in lymphocyte development and homeostasis. It is particularly important for the maintenance and activation of NK cells and CD8+ memory T cells. IL15 also exerts pleiotropic effects on other hematopoietic cells and nonimmune cells. Ligation of membrane associated IL15/IL15R α complexes induces reverse signaling that promotes cellular adhesion, tyrosine phosphorylation of intracellular proteins, and cytokine secretion by the IL15/IL15R α expressing cells.

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