

Human IFN-β1a research grade

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Products Human IFN-β1a, research grade.

Recombinant human interferon β1a.

Content in µg	Order no.
5	130-107-889
20	130-107-888

Biological activity

The ED₅₀ is \leq 0.1 ng/mL corresponding to an

activity of ≥1×10⁷ U/mg.

 \blacktriangle Note: The ED₅₀ is determined by cytotoxicity assay using

TF-1 cells.

Primary structure

Single, glycosylated polypeptide chain including N-terminal methionine (166 amino

acid residues).

Molecular mass 20 kDa.

Source Produced in CHO cells.

Product format Lyophilized from a filtered (0.2 μm) buffer

solution.

Stabilizer None.

Purity >95% as determined by SDS-PAGE analysis.

Endotoxin level Low endotoxin (<1.0 EU/μg cytokine) as

determined by Limulus Amebocyte Lysate

(LAL) assay.

Storage Lyophilized Human IFN-β1a, research grade

should be stored at -20 °C. The expiration date is indicated on the vial label. Upon reconstitution aliquots should be stored at -20 °C or below. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Reconstitution It is recommended to reconstitute lyophilized

Human IFN- β 1a, research grade with deionized sterile-filtered water to a final concentration of 0.1–1.0 mg/mL in a minimal volume of 50 μ L. Further dilutions should be prepared with 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) or human serum albumin (HSA) in

 $phosphate-buffered\ saline.$

1.1 Background information

Interferon beta (IFN-B) is a monomeric protein and belongs together with IFN-α to the type I interferon family. It shares with IFN- α the same dimeric receptor (IFN- α R1/R2). IFN- β is produced by virally infected cells and fibroblasts, and bears a strong nonspecific anti-viral activity, including activation of cytotoxic cells. However, IFN-β can also modulate immune cell proliferation and MHC class I-mediated antigen presentation, and is therefore under investigation as treatment against autoimmune diseases, such as multiple sclerosis. A role for IFN-\beta has been identified also in control of solid tumor development, and local tumor treatments with IFN-β are under investigation for several cancer conditions. IFN- β is usually produced as recombinant protein in two variants: IFN-β1a and IFN-β1b. IFN-β1a is manufactured in mammalian cells (CHO cells), its sequence is identical to the natural form, and carries glycosylations. IFN-β1b is a mutated form with one amino acid exchange, expressed in E. coli. IFN-β is active only in speciesspecific way.

1.2 Applications

Human IFN-β1a can be used for a variety of applications, including:

- Culture of myeloid and lymphoid cells in studies of anti-viral immune response.
- Investigation of tumor cell growth and modulation of autoimmunity.
- Study of intracellular signal transduction via activation of IFN type I receptor.

Optimal concentration for a specific application should be determined by a dose-response experiment.

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