

Recombinant HIV-II gp32

Catalog No.	CSI15824A	Quantity:	100 µg
	CSI15824B		0.5 mg
	CSI15824C		1.0 mg

Description: HIV-1 and HIV-2 appear to package their RNA differently. HIV-1 binds to any appropriate RNA whereas HIV-2 preferentially binds to mRNA which creates the Gag protein itself. This means that HIV-1 is better able to mutate. HIV-2 is transmitted in the same ways as HIV-1: Through exposure to bodily fluids such as blood, semen, tears and vaginal fluids. Immunodeficiency develops more slowly with HIV-2. HIV-2 is less infectious in the early stages of the virus than with HIV-1. The infectiousness of HIV-2 increases as the virus progresses. Major differences include reduced pathogenicity of HIV-2 relative to HIV-1, enhanced immune control of HIV-2 infection and often some degree of CD4-independence. Despite considerable sequence and phenotypic differences between HIV-1 and 2 envelopes, structurally they are quite similar. Both membrane-anchored proteins eventually form the 6-helix bundles from the N-terminal and C-terminal regions of the ectodomain, which is common to many viral and cellular fusion proteins and which seems to drive fusion. HIV-1 gp41 helical regions can form more stable 6-helix bundles than HIV-2 gp41 helical regions however HIV-2 fusion occurs at a lower threshold temperature (25°C), does not require Ca²⁺ in the medium, is insensitive to treatment of target cells with cytochalasin B, and is not affected by target membrane glycosphingolipid composition. HIV-2 gp32 recombinant- contains the full-length sequence of HIV-2 envelope immunodominant regions gp32. The protein is fused with β-galactosidase (114 kDa) at N-terminus.

Source: *E. coli*

Formulation: 0.01 M Na₂CO₃ + 0.01 M Na3EDTA + 0.014 M β-mercaptoethanol + 0.05% Tween 20.

Purity: Greater than 95.0% as determined by HPLC analysis and SDS-PAGE.

Physical Appearance: Sterile filtered colorless clear solution.

Specific Activity: Immunoreactive with all sera of HIV-2 infected individuals.

Applications: HIV-2 gp32 antigen is suitable for ELISA and Western blots, excellent antigen for early detection of HIV seroconvertors with minimal specificity problems.

Storage & Stability: Protein should be stored at 4°C.
Refrigerate Upon arrival. **DO NOT FREEZE.**

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