# Human IFN $\alpha$ 4 / IFNa4 / Interferon alpha-4 Protein (His Tag)

Catalog Number: 10336-H08B



# **General Information**

### Gene Name Synonym:

IFN-alpha4a; INFA4; MGC142200

#### **Protein Construction:**

A DNA sequence encoding the human IFN $\alpha$  4a (NP\_066546.1)) (Met 1-Asp 189) was fused with a polyhistidine tag at the C-terminus.

Source: Human

**Expression Host:** Baculovirus-Insect Cells

**QC** Testing

Purity: > 88 % as determined by SDS-PAGE

# **Bio Activity:**

Measured in antiviral assays using WISH human amnion cells infected with vesicular stomatitis virus(VSV). The  $ED_{50}$  for this effect is typically 2-8 pg/mL.

#### **Endotoxin:**

< 1.0 EU per µg of the protein as determined by the LAL method

#### Stability:

Samples are stable for up to twelve months from date of receipt at -70 °C

Predicted N terminal: Cys 24

# **Molecular Mass:**

The recombinant human IFN $\alpha$ 4a consists of 176 amino acids and predicts a molecular mass of 20.7 kDa. It migrates as an approximately 20 kDa band in SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions.

#### Formulation:

Lyophilized from sterile 20mM Tris, 500mM NaCl, pH 7.4, 10% gly

Normally 5 % - 8 % trehalose, mannitol and 0.01% Tween80 are added as protectants before lyophilization. Specific concentrations are included in the hardcopy of COA. Please contact us for any concerns or special requirements.

# **Usage Guide**

#### Storage:

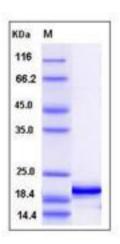
Store it under sterile conditions at  $-20^{\circ}$ C to  $-80^{\circ}$ C upon receiving. Recommend to aliquot the protein into smaller quantities for optimal storage.

Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

# Reconstitution:

Detailed reconstitution instructions are sent along with the products.

#### SDS-PAGE:



# **Protein Description**

Interferon, alpha 4 (IFNA4) belongs to the alpha/beta interferon family. Two variants of IFNA4 (IFNA4a and IFNA4b) are known, which differ from each other by changes in their coding regions at nucleotide positions 220 and 410 and can be distinguished by selective restriction enzyme analysis. Interferons are produced by macrophages, IFN-alpha have antiviral activities. Interferon stimulates the production of two enzymes: a protein kinase and an oligoadenylate synthetase. IFN-alpha, the first cytokine to be produced by recombinant DNA technology, has emerged as an important regulator of growth and differentiation, affecting cellular communication and signal transduction pathways as well as immunological control. Originally discovered as an antiviral substance, the efficacy of IFN-alpha in malignant, viral, immunological, angiogenic, inflammatory, and fibrotic diseases suggests a spectrum of interrelated pathophysiologies. IFN-alpha emerged as a prototypic tumor suppressor protein that represses the clinical tumorigenic phenotype in some malignancies capable of differentiation.

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