

# Rat IL21 / Interleukin 21 Protein (His Tag)

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## General Information

### Gene Name Synonym:

IL21

### Protein Construction:

A DNA sequence encoding the rat IL21 (NP\_001102413.1) (Met1-Ser146) was expressed with a polyhistidine tag at the C-terminus.

**Source:** Rat

**Expression Host:** Baculovirus-Insect Cells

## QC Testing

**Purity:** > 90 % as determined by SDS-PAGE

### Bio Activity:

Measured by its ability to induce Interferon gamma secretion by human natural killer lymphoma NK-92 cells. The ED<sub>50</sub> for this effect is typically 2-8 ng/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:** His 18

### Molecular Mass:

The recombinant rat IL21 consists of 139 amino acids and predicts a molecular mass of 16.6 KDa. It migrates as an approximately 20 KDa band in SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions.

### Formulation:

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

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:

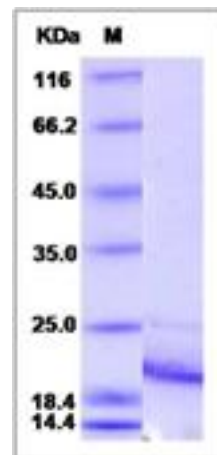
Store it under sterile conditions at -20°C to -80°C upon receiving. Recommend to aliquot the protein into smaller quantities for optimal storage.

Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

### Reconstitution:

Detailed reconstitution instructions are sent along with the products.

## SDS-PAGE:



## Protein Description

IL21 belongs to the IL-15/IL-21 family. It is a cytokine with immunoregulatory activity. Cytokines are proteinaceous signaling compounds that are major mediators of the immune response. They control many different cellular functions including proliferation, differentiation and cell survival/apoptosis but are also involved in several pathophysiological processes including viral infections and autoimmune diseases. Cytokines are synthesized under various stimuli by a variety of cells of both the innate (monocytes, macrophages, dendritic cells) and adaptive (T- and B-cells) immune systems. IL21 is expressed in activated CD4-positive T-cells but not in CD8-positive T-cells, B-cells, or monocytes. It may promote the transition between innate and adaptive immunity. IL-21 has been tried as therapy for alleviating allergic responses. It can significantly decrease pro-inflammatory cytokines produced by T cells in addition to decreasing IgE levels in a mouse model for rhinitis (nasal passage inflammation)

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