

# Human IL-21 Recombinant Protein Carrier-Free

Catalog Number: 34-8219

Also Known As: Interleukin-21, IL21 For Research Use Only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

#### **Product Information**

**Contents:** Human IL-21 Recombinant Protein Carrier-Free **REF Catalog Number:** 34-8219

Concentration: 0.5 mg/mL

Handling Conditions: For best recovery, quick-spin vial prior to opening. Use in sterile envrioment.

**Source:** A DNA sequence encoding the mature form of human IL-21amino acids Gln25-Ser155 accession # NM\_021803 was expressed in E.coli

**Molecular Mass:** The protein has a predicted molecular mass of 17,150. The DTT reduced protein migrates as a 18 kDa polypeptide on SDS-PAGE. The non-reduced protein migrates as a 17 kDa polypeptide.

Purity: > 98% as determined by SDS-PAGE.

**Endotoxin Level:** Less than 0.01ng/ug cytokine as determined by the LAL assay.

**Bioactivity:** The ED50 of this protein, as measured by B9 cell proliferation assay, is less than or equal to 25 ng/mL. This corresponds to a specific activity of greater than or equal to  $4 \times 10e4$  Units/mg.

**Formulation:** Sterile liquid; 20 mM sodium phosphate, pH 7.2, 0.6 M NaCl, 0.22 um filtered.

Temperature Limitation: Store at less than or equal to -

▲ 70°C.

- LOT Batch Code: Refer to Vial
- Use By: Refer to Vial

## Description

Human Interleukin-21 (IL-21) is a 131-amino acid protein with 57% identity to the mouse gene. It contains a 24-amino acid signal peptide and a 4-helix-bundle cytokine domain homologous to IL-2, IL-4 and IL-15. IL-21 stimulates B cell proliferation in an anti-CD40 dependent manner but inhibits B cell proliferation stimulated by IL-4 plus anti-IgM. IL-21 is induced by IL-6 in activated T cells, a process that is dependent on STAT3 but not on ROR-gamma. IL-21 induces Th17 differentiation and suppresses FOXP3 expression, which requires STAT3 and ROR-gamma.

## **Applications Reported**

For research use only, not for diagnostic or therapeutic use. The recombinant human IL-21 has been reported useful for bioassay and ELISA.

## **Applications Tested**

The ED50 of this protein, as measured by B9 cell proliferation assay, is less than or equal to 25 ng/mL. This corresponds to a specific activity of greater than or equal to 4 x 10e4 Units/mg.

#### References

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#### **Related Products**

34-8211 Mouse IL-21 Recombinant Protein Carrier-Free