

Recombinant Rat Interferon- α (IFN- α_1)

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Catalog Number:	PRC4014		
Quantity:	10^5 units		
Lot Number:	See product label.		
Molecular Weight:	Approximately 19 kDa		
Biological Activity:	1×10^8 units/mg. One unit of activity is the amount of recombinant rat interferon– α that inhibits the cytopathic effect of Vesicular Stomatitis virus (VSV) by 50% in monolayer cultures of Ratec cells grown in 96–well microtiter plates.		
	Important note: This recombinant rat interferon- α requires the presence of a reducing agent, such as glutathione, for full biological activity. We recommend supplementing all tissue culture media to which this recombinant rat interferon- α will be added with 2 mM glutathione to ensure full biological activity.		
Species Reactivity:	This recombinant rat interferon– α exhibits 6% anti–viral effect with mouse cells and <0.1% anti–viral effect with human cells.		
Formulation:	Lyophilized from 0.5 mL of solution containing citric acid buffered saline, pH 5.0, 50 µg rat serum albumin and 125 mM trehalose. Sterile filtered (0.22 µm) prior to lyophilization.		
Endotoxin:	≤1 EU/vial		
Production:	Recombinant rat interferon- α is produced in serum-free medium by <i>Spodoptera frugiperda</i> insect cells (Sf9) transfected with baculovirus containing the rat IFN– α_1 chromosomal gene. Recombinant rat interferon– α is purified by chromatography.		
Reconstitution Recommendation:	Reconstitute recombinant rat interferon– α by injecting 0.5 mL sterile, distilled water into the vial. Mix by swirling the vial.		
Suggested Working Dilutions:	The optimal concentration should be determined for each specific application.		
Storage:	Store at 2°C to 8°C. Upon reconstitution, recombinant rat interferon- α is stable for up to two weeks at 2°C to 8°C. For maximal stability, apportion reconstituted recombinant rat interferon- α_1 into working aliquots and store at -80°C. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.		
Expiration Date:	Expires one year from date of receipt when stored as instructed.		
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Explanation of Symbols

The symbols present on the product label are explained below:

Symbol	Description	Symbol	Description
REF	Catalog Number	LOT	Batch code
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Σ	Use by	X	Temperature limitation
	Manufacturer	EC REP	European Community authorized representative
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ĺÌ	Directs the user to consult instructions for use (IFU), accompanying the product.		

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