

HUMAN INTERLEUKIN-28A/INTERFERON-LAMBDA 2

Product Number: **11820-1**

Lot Number:

Size: **25 µg**

Description: Human Interleukin-28A/Interferon-Lambda 2

Source: DNA sequence encoding human IL-28A [Met 1 - Val 200] [Kotenko, S.V. *et al.*, 2003, *Nat. Immunol.* 4(1):69 - 77] with a carboxyl-terminal polyhistidine tag was expressed in a mouse myeloma cell line, NS0.

Form: Lyophilized

Buffer: Phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), pH 6.5 containing 50µg of bovine serum albumin (BSA) per 1 µg of cytokine

Reconstitution: It is recommended that sterile PBS containing at least 0.1% human serum albumin or bovine serum albumin be added to the vial to prepare a stock solution of no less than 10µg/ml.

Endotoxin: < 1 EU/µg

Molecular Weight: Based on N-terminal sequencing, the mature recombinant IL-28A starts at Val 26 and has a calculated molecular mass of 20.8 kDa. As a result of glycosylation, the recombinant monomer migrates as an approximately 24 kDa protein in SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions.

Purity: > 97%

Synonyms: Hu IL-28A; Hu IFN-λ2

Accession #: NP_742150

Assays Used to Measure Bioactivity: Measured in an anti-viral assay using human HepG2 cells infected with encephalomyocarditis virus [Sheppard, P. *et al.*, 2003, *Nature Immunol.* 4:63]. The ED₅₀ for this effect is typically 10 - 50 ng/mL.

Shipping Conditions: Wet Ice

Physical State of Product During Shipping: Lyophilized

Special Conditions/Comments: After receipt, this product should be kept at -70°C or below for retention of full activity. Upon reconstitution, this cytokine can be stored under sterile conditions at 2°C to 8°C for one month or at -20°C to -70°C in a manual defrost freezer for three months without detectable loss of activity. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. For more information on protein handling, visit the PBL website at www.interferonsource.com.

Product Information: IL-28A, IL-28B, and IL-29, also named interferon- λ 2 (IFN- λ 2), IFN- λ 3, and IFN- λ 1, respectively, are newly identified class II cytokine receptor ligands that are distantly related to members of the IL-10 family (11-13% aa sequence identity) and type I IFN family (15 - 19% aa sequence identity).¹⁻³ The genes encoding these three cytokines are localized to chromosome 19 and each is composed of multiple exons. The exon organization of these genes is also found in the IL-10 family genes but is distinct from the type I IFNs, which are encoded within a single exon. The expression of IL-28A, B, and IL-29 is induced by virus infection or double-stranded RNA. All three cytokines exert bioactivities that overlap those of type I IFNs, including antiviral activity and up-regulation of MHC class I antigen expression. The three proteins signal through the same heterodimeric receptor complex that is composed of the IL-10 receptor β (IL-10 R β) and a novel IL-28 receptor α (IL-28 R α , also known as IFN- λ R1). Ligand binding to the receptor complex induces Jak kinase activation and STAT1 and STAT2 tyrosine phosphorylation. The phosphorylated STAT1 and STAT2 complex with IFN-regulatory factor 9 (IRF-9) to form the IFN-stimulated regulatory factor 3 (ISGF-3) transcription factor complex that is translocated to the nucleus. ISGF-3 binds to the IFN-stimulated response element (ISRE) present in the regulatory regions of the target genes. Human IL-28A cDNA encodes a 200 amino acid (aa) residue precursor protein with a putative 25 aa signal peptide. It shares 94% and 67% aa sequence identity with human IL-28B and human IL-29, respectively.

References

1. Vilcek, J., 2003, *Nature Immunol.* 4:8 - 9.
2. Sheppard, P. *et al.*, 2003, *Nature Immunol.* 4:63 - 68.
3. Kotenko, S.V. *et al.*, 2003, *Nature Immunol.* 4:69 - 77.

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