

Product Information

LYMPHOTACTIN (LPTN)

Mouse, Recombinant

Expressed in *Escherichia coli*

Product Number L 6516

Product Description

Recombinant mouse Lymphotactin (Lptn) is a protein expressed in *Escherichia coli*. This product is produced from a DNA sequence encoding the mature mouse lymphotactin sequence protein.¹ The 94 amino acid residue methionyl form of mature recombinant mouse lymphotactin has a predicted molecular mass of approximately 10 kDa.

Lymphotactin (Lptn), a member of γ or C subfamily of chemokines, is characterized by having only 2 cysteines. Mouse lymphotactin encodes a 114 amino acid residue precursor protein with a predicted signal peptide. It is the first chemotactic cytokine found to be specific for lymphocytes.¹ Mouse lymphotactin and its human homologue, also named human SCM-1 and ATAC, has been mapped to chromosome 1.

The expression of lymphotactin is restricted to activated mouse pro-T cells and to activated, class I MHC restricted T cells. Since lymphotactin is produced by lymphocytes and acts on lymphocytes, it is speculated that it is a messenger in T cell chemoattraction. Recombinant mouse lymphotactin is chemotactic for lymphocytes, NK cells², and mouse splenocytes but not monocytes or neutrophils.¹ It has been shown that lymphotactin is a key regulator of lymphocyte motility and adhesion during acute allograft rejection.³ Lymphotactin has the ability to both inhibit and co-stimulate CD4+ and CD8+ T cell activation, respectively.⁴

Reagent

Recombinant mouse Lymphotactin (Lptn) is supplied as approximately 25 μ g of protein lyophilized from a 0.2 μ m filtered solution in 30 % acetonitrile, 0.1 % trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) containing 1.25 mg bovine serum albumin.

Preparation Instructions

Reconstitute the contents of the vial using sterile phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) containing 0.1 % human serum albumin or bovine serum albumin. Prepare a stock solution of no less than 100 μ g/ml.

Storage/Stability

Prior to reconstitution, store at -20 °C. Reconstituted product may be stored at 2 °C to 8 °C for at least one month. For prolonged storage, freeze in working aliquots at -20 °C. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

Product Profile

Recombinant mouse Lymphotactin (Lptn) is measured by its ability to chemoattract 3 week IL-2 cultured human lymphocytes and by its ability to chemoattract mouse BaF/3 cells transfected with h/XCR1.

The ED₅₀ for chemotaxis of IL-2 cultured lymphocytes is generally 6 to 12 μ g/ml. The ED₅₀ for chemotaxis of BaF/3 h/XCR1 cells is generally 0.05 to 0.1 μ g/ml.

The ED₅₀ is defined as the effective concentration of growth factor that elicits a 50 % increase in cell growth in a cell based bioassay.

Purity: >97 % as determined by SDS-PAGE, visualized by silver stain.

Endotoxin: <0.1 ng/ μ g determined by the LAL method.

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