

# Product Information

**Monoclonal Anti-Interleukin-4****Clone 3010**

produced in mouse, purified immunoglobulin

Catalog Number **I7159**

**Product Description**

Monoclonal Anti-Interleukin-4 (IL-4) is purified from a hybridoma produced by the fusion of mouse myeloma cells and B cells from a mouse immunized with purified, *E. coli*-derived rhIL-4 (GenoID 3565). The antibody is purified by Protein G affinity chromatography.

Monoclonal Anti-Interleukin-4 (IL-4) recognizes human interleukin-4. Applications include immunoblotting and ELISA.

Interleukin-4 is a multifunctional lymphokine, which interacts with cells of multilineages including T cells, B cells, thymocytes, hematopoietic cells, and fibroblasts.<sup>1,2</sup> IL-4 was first described as stimulating B-lymphocyte proliferation in the presence of anti-IgM antibodies.<sup>3</sup> It was then shown that IL-4 could induce the expression of molecules of the class II MHC in resting B cells.<sup>4,5</sup> Synonyms for IL-4 include: B cell stimulatory factor-1 (BSF-1), T cell growth factor-2 (TCGF-2), and mast cell growth factor-2 (MCGF-2).<sup>6-8</sup> Interleukin-4 is a complex glycoprotein released by a subset of activated T cells. The molecular weight of interleukin-4 occurring naturally is 12-20 kDa.

**Reagent**

Supplied lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution of phosphate buffered saline with 5% trehalose.

**Precautions and Disclaimer**

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

**Preparation Instructions**

To one vial of lyophilized powder, add 1 mL of 0.2 µm filtered PBS to produce a 0.5 mg/mL stock solution. If aseptic technique is used, no further filtration should be needed for use in cell culture environments.

**Storage/Stability**

Prior to reconstitution, store at -20 °C. The reconstituted product may be stored at 2-8 °C for up to one month. For extended storage, freeze in working aliquots at -20 °C. Repeated freezing and thawing, or storage in "frost-free" freezers, is not recommended.

**Product Profile**

**Immunoblotting:** a working concentration of 1-2 µg/mL is recommended. The detection limit for recombinant human IL-4 is ~50 ng/lane under non-reducing and reducing conditions, using a colorimetric system.

**ELISA capture:** a working concentration of 4 µg/mL is recommended as the coating concentration. Recombinant protein standard should be titrated to establish a suitable standard curve. A two-fold dilution series starting at 2 ng/mL is suggested.

**Note:** In order to obtain the best results using various techniques and preparations, we recommend determining the optimal working dilutions by titration.

Endotoxin: < 0.1 EU/µg antibody as determined by the LAL method.

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