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Product Information

FabRICATOR[®] from *Streptococcus pyogenes* recombinant, expressed in *E. coli*

Catalog Numbers 07298 (2,000 units for cleaving 2 mg IgG) 77661 (5,000 units for cleaving 5 mg IgG) Storage Temperature –20 °C

Synonyms: IdeS, Immunoglobulin degrading enzyme

Product Description

FabRICATOR[®] is a unique proteolytic enzyme that cleaves IgG just below the hinge region, thereby, generating an intact F(ab')2 fragment and a Fc fragment. This enzyme is a modified cysteine protease first isolated from *Streptococcus pyogenes*. The scientific name of the enzyme is IdeS (immunoglobulin degrading enzyme), which has a biological role of circumventing the host defense.

This product is supplied as a lyophilized powder containing sodium phosphate, pH 6.6, and sodium chloride.

Purity: ≥95% (SDS-PAGE)

One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme required to fragment 95% of 1 μ g of human IgG in 30 minutes at 37 °C, pH 6.6, as monitored by SDS-PAGE.

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

Reconstitute 07298 in 30 μ l of ultrapure water and 77661 in 75 μ l of ultrapure water to prepare a solution with a concentration of 67 units/ μ l. To prevent microbial contamination, sodium azide can be added to the solution to a final concentration of 0.02–0.05% (w/v). After reconstitution, a FabRICATOR solution retains activity for 1 month at 2–8 °C.

Storage/Stability

The product ships at ambient temperature and storage at -20 °C is recommended. When stored at -20 °C, the protein retains activity for at least 1 year.

Procedure

Add 1 unit of FabRICATOR per 1 μ g of IgG for digestion in the recommended cleavage buffer of 50 mM sodium phosphate, pH 6.6, with 150 mM NaCl at 37 °C for 30 minutes. The recommended antibody concentration range is 0.5–10 mg/ml. The Fc fragments can be removed with protein A or protein G.

While optimal activity is obtained at pH 6.6 and 37 $^{\circ}$ C, it is possible to use a buffer with a higher pH and to increase the reaction time. Digestion can also be done at room temperature with prolonged incubation time.

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