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## Product Information

### Macrophage Inflammatory Protein-2 (MIP-2) Mouse, Recombinant Expressed in *E. coli*

Product No. **M 8668**

#### Product Description

Macrophage Inflammatory Protein-2 (MIP-2) is a member of the  $\alpha$ -chemokine (CXC) subfamily of cytokines. A primary characteristic of this subfamily is the conserved cysteine (C) residues of the mature protein that have one amino acid residue separating the first two conserved cyteine residues.<sup>1</sup> Additionally, MIP-2 has the characteristic ELR (glutamic acid-leucine-arginie) amino acid sequence immediately preceding the first cysteine residue near the amino terminus.<sup>1</sup> It shares 60% amino acid sequence homology with human MIP-2 proteins.

MIP-2 functions as a neutrophil chemoattractant. It induces *in vitro* neutrophil degranulation and suppresses colony formation of immature myeloid progenitors.<sup>2</sup>

#### Performance Characteristics

The biological activity of recombinant mouse MIP-2 is measured by its ability to induce myeloperoxidase release from human neutrophils.<sup>3</sup> The EC<sub>50</sub> is defined as the effective concentration of growth factor that elicits a 50% increase in myeloperoxidase release from neutrophils in a cell-based bioassay.

#### Reagents

Lyophilized from a 0.2  $\mu$ m-filtered solution of 30% acetonitrile and 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid. containing 500  $\mu$ g of bovine serum albumin as a carrier protein.

#### Reconstitution

Reconstitute the contents of the vial using sterile phosphate buffered saline (PBS) containing 0.1% human serum albumin (HAS) or bovine serum albumin (BSA) to a stock concentration no less than 10  $\mu$ g/ml.

#### Storage

Store at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

After reconstitution, store at  $2-8^{\circ}\text{C}$  for a maximum of one month. For extended storage, freeze in working aliquots at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $-70^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Repeated freezing and thawing is not recommended.

#### References

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