

## Product Information

### Monoclonal Anti-Granulocyte Colony Stimulating Factor

Clone **67604.111**

Purified Rat Immunoglobulin

Catalog Number **G0540**

Storage Temperature  $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

### Product Description

Monoclonal Anti-Granulocyte Colony Stimulating Factor (G-CSF) (rat IgG1 isotype) is derived from a hybridoma produced by the fusion of mouse myeloma cells and splenocytes from a rat immunized with purified recombinant mouse G-CSF, expressed in *E. coli*. The antibody is purified from tissue culture supernatant using protein G.

Monoclonal Anti-G-CSF may be used to neutralize the bioactivity of recombinant mouse G-CSF. The antibody may also be used for immunoblotting and ELISA. By ELISA and immunoblotting, the antibody shows no cross-reactivity with recombinant human G-CSF.

Monoclonal Anti-G-CSF may be used for neutralization, ELISA, and immunoblotting.

Four distinct colony-stimulating factors (CSFs) promoting survival, proliferation, and differentiation of bone marrow precursor cells have been well characterized: granulocyte/macrophage-CSF (GM-CSF), granulocyte-CSF (G-CSF), macrophage-CSF (M-CSF), and interleukin-3 (IL-3, Multi-CSF).<sup>1,2</sup> Both GM-CSF and IL-3 are multipotential growth factors, stimulating proliferation of progenitor cells from more than one hematopoietic lineage. In contrast, G-CSF and M-CSF are lineage-restricted hematopoietic growth factors, stimulating final mitotic divisions and the terminal cellular maturation of the partially differentiated hematopoietic progenitors.

Granulocyte CSF is produced by monocytes and fibroblasts.<sup>3,4</sup> It stimulates granulocyte colony formation, activates neutrophils and mature granulocytes, and promotes differentiation of certain myeloid leukemic cells. Natural G-CSF is a glycoprotein of 177 amino acids and a molecular mass of 19 kDa.<sup>5</sup> Human and murine G-CSF have ~75% homology and show biological cross-reactivity.

### Reagent

Monoclonal Anti-G-CSF is supplied lyophilized from a  $0.2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$  filtered solution of phosphate buffered saline. Endotoxin level is  $<10\text{ ng per mg}$  antibody as determined by the LAL method.

### 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  $0.2\text{ }\mu\text{m}$  filtered PBS to produce a  $0.5\text{ mg/ml}$  stock solution of antibody. If aseptic technique is used, no further filtration should be needed for use in cell culture environments.

### Storage/Stability

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

## Procedure

### Neutralization of Bioactivity

To measure the ability of the antibody to neutralize the bioactivity of mouse G-CSF, recombinant mouse G-CSF was incubated with various concentrations of the antibody for 1 hour at 37 °C in a 96 well plate. Following this preincubation period, NFS-60 cells were added. The assay mixture in a total volume of 200 µl per well, containing antibody at concentrations of 0.01–100 µg/ml, recombinant mouse G-CSF at 0.125 ng/ml, and cells at  $5 \times 10^4$  cells/ml were incubated at 37 °C for 24 hours in a humidified CO<sub>2</sub> incubator. Tritiated-thymidine was added during the final 4 hours. Cells were harvested and <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine incorporation was measured.<sup>6</sup>

The ND<sub>50</sub> is the concentration of antibody required to yield one-half maximal inhibition of the cytokine activity on a responsive cell line, when the cytokine is present at a concentration just high enough to elicit a maximum response.

## Product Profile

For neutralization, a working concentration of 0.01–0.03 µg/ml of Monoclonal Anti-G-CSF will neutralize 50% of the bioactivity due to 0.125 ng/ml recombinant mouse G-CSF using NSF-60 cells.

For indirect ELISA, a working concentration of 0.5–1.0 µg/ml is determined to detect a limit of ~1.6 ng/well of recombinant mouse G-CSF.

For indirect immunoblotting, a working concentration of 1–2 µg/ml is determined using mouse G-CSF at 50 ng/lane under non-reducing and reducing conditions.

Note: In order to obtain best results in different techniques and preparations we recommend determining optimal working dilutions by titration test.

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