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ProductInformation

Interferon-γ (IFN-γ) Human, Recombinant Expressed in *E. coli*

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Product Description

Human Interferon- γ (IFN- γ) exerts a variety of biological effects including antiviral activity,¹ inhibition of cell or tumor growth,^{2,3} and promotion of differentiation of B cells into immunoglobulin-producing cells.^{4, 5} In addition to antiviral activity, human IFN- γ is a potent modulator of immune responses and modifies cellular processes.⁶ IFN-γ is classified as immune interferon.⁶ IFN-γ functions as an activating factor to prime macrophages (MAF) for non-specific tumoricidal activity ⁷ and activates monocytes to exert enhanced cytotoxicity against tumor cells.⁸ IFN- γ acts as a signal for major histocompatibility antigen expression.⁹ IFN-γ boosts cytotoxicity of natural killer cells and stimulates T cell cytotoxicity. The species specificity of IFN-y resides in the interaction of IFN-γ with its receptor.¹⁰ Human IFN-γ does not bind specifically to mouse, hamster, or bovine cells.¹⁰ Human IFN-γ is a 16.7 kDa protein containing 143 amino acid residues.

Reagent

The product is lyophilized from a 0.2 μ m filtered buffered solution.

Storage/Stability

The lyophilized product is best stored at -20 °C. It is stable for up to a few weeks at room temperature. Reconstituted product should be stored in working aliquots at -20 °C. Repeated freezing and thawing is not recommended. Do not store in frost-free freezer.

Reconstitution

Reconstitute the contents of the vial using 0.2 μ m-filtered 1x phosphate buffered saline, pH 8.0, to a concentration of 0.5-1.0 mg/ml.

Note: Further dilutions should be made into RPMI containing 10% fetal calf serum (FCS) or 5% bovine serum albumin (BSA) or 5% human serum albumin (HSA). This solution may be stored for up to one week at 2-8 °C. For extended storage, freeze in working aliquots at -20 °C. Additional filtration of the stock solution is not recommended and may result in product loss due to adsorption onto the filter membrane.

Product Profile

The biological activity was measured in a viral resistance assay.¹¹ The ED_{50} is defined as the effective concentration of growth factor that elicits a 50% increase in cell growth in a cell based bioassay.

Purity: \geq 98% as determined by SDS-PAGE and HPLC.

Endotoxin: < 0.1 ng/µg cytokine.

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