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# **Product Information**

Anti-Interleukin-4 Soluble Receptor produced in goat, IqG fraction of antiserum

Catalog Number 16527

Synonym: Anti- IL-4 sR

## **Product Description**

Anti-Interleukin-4 Soluble Receptor is produced in goat using a recombinant human IL-4 RI, expressed in Sf21 cells as immunogen. The antibody is purified using protein G chromatography.

Anti-Interleukin-4 Soluble Receptor will block human cell surface IL-4 receptor mediated IL-4 bioactivity. By ELISA, the antibody shows no cross-reactivity with other cytokines tested.\*

It may be used for neutralization of cell surface human IL-4 R mediated IL-4 bioactivity and the detection of IL-4 R by immunoblotting and ELISA.

Interleukin-4 (IL-4) is a type I cytokine produced by T cells, mast cells and basophils. It exhibits many biological and immunoregulatory functions on T cells, B cells, mast cells, monocytes, dendritic cells and fibroblasts. These responses range from the regulation of helper T cell differentiation and the production of IgE<sup>3</sup> to the regulation of the adhesive properties of endothelial cells via VCAM-1. The IL-4 gene is located on chromosome 5 and displays several cell-specific regulatory sequences in its promoter, which explain its restricted secretion pattern to activated T cells and mast cells.

The IL-4 receptor is multimeric. Two different forms of IL-4 receptors have been defined. The classical is expressed in hematopoietic cells and consists of IL-4R $\alpha$  (140 kDa) and IL-2R $\gamma$ (c) (65 kDa) chains. The alternative form is predominantly expressed on nonhematopoietic cells and consists of IL-4R $\alpha$  and IL-13R $\alpha$  (70-75 kDa) chains. It is able to transduce both IL-4 and IL-13 signals. Major signal transduction events of IL-4 are mediated through JAK/IRS-2 and STAT6 pathways.  $^{5,6}$ 

## Reagents

Supplied lyophilized from a 0.2  $\mu m$  filtered solution in phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4, with 5% trehalose.

### **Preparation Instructions**

To one vial of lyophilized powder, add 1 ml of 0.2:m-filtered PBS to produce a 1mg/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 °C. Reconstituted product may be stored at 2-8 °C. for at least one month. For prolonged storage, freeze in working aliquots at -20 °C. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

#### **Procedure**

Anti-Human IL-4 sR is tested for its ability to block human cell surface IL-4 R mediated bioactivity of recombinant human IL-4 in a <sup>3</sup>H-thymidine incorporation assay using TF-1 cells. <sup>7</sup> The ND<sub>50</sub> of the antibody is defined as the concentration of antibody resulting in a one-half maximal inhibition of the cell surface IL-4 R mediated recombinant human IL-4 response on a responsive cell line.

#### **Product Profile**

For neutralization, a working concentration of 5-10 :g/ml of Anti-IL-4 sR will block 50% of the bioactivity due to 0.2 ng/ml recombinant human IL-4 in a  $^3\text{H-thymidine}$  incorporation assay using TF-1 cells. For indirect ELISA, a working concentration of 0.5 - 1  $\mu\text{g/ml}$  is determined to detect a limit of 0.3 ng/well of human recombinant IL-4 R.

For indirect immunoblotting, a working concentration of 1 -2  $\mu$ g/ml is determined using 5 ng/lane under non-reducing and reducing conditions.

Endotoxin level: < 0.10 EU per 1  $\mu g$  antibody as determined by the LAL method.

**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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