Recombinant Human Interleukin-13 (rh IL-13)

**Synonyms:** NC30 (human), P600 (murine)

**Description:** IL-13 is an immunoregulatory cytokine produced primarily by activated Th2 cells. IL-13 is involved in several stages of B-cell maturation and differentiation. It regulates CD23 and MHC class II expression up and promotes IgE isotype switching of B cells. IL-13 regulates macrophage activity down and inhibits thereby the production of pro-inflammatory cytokines and chemokines. IL-13 is found to be critical to the pathogenesis of allergen-induced asthma, but operates through mechanisms independent of IgE and eosinophils. IL-13, IL-3, IL-4, IL-5, and GM-CSF form a cytokine gene cluster on chromosome 5q, with this gene particularly close to IL-4.

**Description:** Recombinant human IL-13 produced in *E. Coli* is a single, non-glycosylated polypeptide chain containing 114 amino acids and having a molecular mass of 12.5 kDa. The rh IL-13 is purified by proprietary chromatographic techniques.

**Source:** *Escherichia Coli.*

**Physical Appearance:** Sterile filtered white lyophilized (freeze-dried) powder.

**Formulation:** Lyophilized from a 0.22 µm filtered solution in 50 mM Tris, 50 mM NaCl, pH 8.0. The aliquots of 1µg and 2µg contain Trehalose 5% (w/vol) for better recovery.

**Solubility:** It is recommended to reconstitute the lyophilized rh IL-13 in sterile H₂O not less than 100 µg/ml, which can then be further diluted to other aqueous solutions.

**Stability:** Lyophilized rh IL-13 although stable at room temperature for 3 weeks, should be stored desiccated below -18° C. Upon reconstitution rh IL-13 should be stored at 4° C between 2-7 days and for future use below -18° C. For long term storage it is recommended to add a carrier protein (0.1% HSA or BSA). Please prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

**Purity:** Greater than 95.0% as determined by SDS-PAGE silver stained gel.

**Endotoxicity:** The endotoxin level is less than 1 EU/µg determined by LAL method.

**Amino acid sequence:**

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SGPGVPPTA LRELIEELVN ITQNQKAPLC NGSMVWSINL TAGMYCAALE SLINVSGCSA IEKTQRMLSG FCPHKVSAGQ FSSLHVRDTK IEVAQFKVLD LLHLKKLFRE GQFN
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**Biological Activity:** The ED₅₀ as determined by the dose-dependant proliferation of TF-1 cells is < 1ng/ml, corresponding to a specific activity of > 1 x 10⁶ IU/mg.

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