Recombinant Human Interleukin-4 (rh IL-4)

Synonyms: BCGF, BCDF, B cell stimulating factor, BSF-1, Lymphocyte stimulatory factor 1

Introduction: rh IL-4 is a pleiotropic cytokine produced by activated T cells. IL-4 is a ligand for Interleukin 4 receptor. The Interleukin 4 receptor also binds to IL-13 which may contribute to many overlapping functions of this cytokine and IL-13. STAT6, a signal transducer and activator of transcription, has been shown to play a central role in mediating the immune regulatory signal of this cytokine. This gene, IL-3, IL-5, IL-13 and GM-CSF form a cytokine gene cluster on chromosome 5q, with this gene particularly close to IL-13. IL-4, IL-13 and IL-5 are found to be regulated coordinately by several long-range regulatory elements in an over 120 kilobase range on the chromosome. Two alternatively spliced transcript variants of this gene encoding distinct isoforms have been reported.

Description: Recombinant human IL-4 produced in *E.Coli* is a single, non-glycosylated polypeptide chain containing 130 amino acids and having a molecular mass of 15 kDa. The rh IL-4 is purified by proprietary chromatographic techniques.

Source: Escherichia Coli.

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

Formulation: 0.22 µm filtered solution in 25 mM sodium phosphate, 200 mM NaCl, pH 6.5 The aliquots of 1µg and 2µg contain Trehalose 5% (w/vol) for better recovery

Solubility: It is recommended to reconstitute the lyophilized rh IL-4 in sterile H_2O not less than 100 μ g/ml, which can then be further diluted to other aqueous solutions.

Stability: Lyophilized rh IL-4 although stable at room temperature for 3 weeks, should be stored desiccated below -18° C. Upon reconstitution rh IL-4 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.

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

Amino acid sequence: MHKCDITLQE IIKTLNSLTE QKTLCTELTV TDIFAASKNT TEKETFCRAA TVLRQFYSHH EKDTRCLGAT AQQFHRHKQLIRFLKRLDRN LWGLAGLNSC PVKEANQSTL ENFLERLKTI MREKYSKCSS

Biological Activity: The specific activity is > 23.0 x 10⁶ IU/mg.

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small	2 μg	Cat.N°	11340042
medium	10 µg	Cat.N°	11340043
large	50 µg	Cat.N°	11340045
x-large	250 µg	Cat.N°	11340047
xx-large	1000 µg	Cat.N°	11340048