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Human Interleukin-28B (hIL-28B/IFN-λ3)



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MW (kDa):

UniProt ID: #Q8IZI9 Entrez-Gene Id: 282617

Background

IL-28B is a member of the Interferon λ family of cytokines, which includes IL-29 and IL-28A (1). IL-28B is produced by a number of cell types and shares many functions with Type I Interferons (1-3). IL-28B exhibits anti-viral activities *in vitro* and *in vivo* (1,2). Investigators have found that IL-28B directly inhibits tumor cell proliferation and promotes anti-tumor immune responses *in vivo* (1,3). The IL-28 receptor is a heterodimer of the IL-28R α and IL-10RI (1). IL-28B activates Stat1, Stat3, and Stat5 (1). IL-28R α expression is limited to a few cell types, including plasmacytoid DC and epithelial cells (1).

Endotoxin

Less than 0.01 ng endotoxin/1 µg hIL-28B.

Purity

>98% as determined by SDS-PAGE of 6 μ g reduced (+) and non-reduced (-) recombinant hIL-28B. All lots are greater than 98% pure.

Recombinant human IL-28B (hIL-28B) Arg26-Val196 (Accession #NP_742151) was expressed in human

293 cells at Cell Signaling Technology.

Bioactivity

Source / Purification

The bioactivity of recombinant hIL-28B was determined in a virus protection assay. The ED_{50} of each lot is between 0.4-9 na/ml.

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Cross-Reactivity Key

H: human M: mouse R: rat Hm: hamster Mk: monkey Vir: virus Mi: mink C: chicken Dm: D. melanogaster X: Xenopus Z: zebrafish B: bovine Dg: dog Pg: pig Sc: S. cerevisiae Ce: C. elegans Hr: horse GP: Guinea Pig Rab: rabbit All: all species expected

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