

Cell-Vive™ GMP Recombinant Human IL-21 (carrier-free)

Catalog# / Size 571214 / 25 µg

571216 / 100 µg

Other Names Interleukin 21, Interleukin-21, IL21

Description IL-21 was identified by a functional screening from conditioned medium of activated T cells using

Baf3-IL-21R transfectants. In normal B cells, IL-21 can mediate cell proliferation, growth arrest, terminal differentiation, or apoptosis, depending on their activation status. IL-21 enhances B-cell proliferation following incubation with an activating CD40 antibody. This result suggests that IL-21 enhances B-cell function following T:B cell interactions. Nevertheless, IL-21 inhibits the proliferation of murine and human B cells stimulated with anti-IgM antibodies. In addition, IL-21 enhances

proliferation, cytotoxic activity, and IFN-γ production by CD8-effector T cells, and induces terminal differentiation of activated natural killer (NK) cells. Also, IL-21 can drive Th17 responses in

conjunction with TGF-8. Nevertheless, IL-21 is not essential for the differentiation of Th17 cells in vitro or in vivo, as it was shown using IL-21 and IL-21R-deficient mice. IL-6 induces the production of IL-21 from CD4 T cells upon TCR stimulation. In addition, IL-6 and IL-21 are key players in the Tfh differentiation, characterized by increased protein expression of both Bcl-6 and CXCR5. IL-21R complex is formed with the IL-21R α chain and the common subunits (γ c) shared with other

interleukins, such as IL-2, IL-4, IL-7, IL-9, and IL-15.

Quality Statement BioLegend Cell-Vive™ GMP Recombinant proteins are manufactured and tested in accordance with

USP Chapter 1043, Ancillary Materials for Cell, Gene and Tissue-Engineered Products and Ph. Eur. Chapter 5.2.12 in a dedicated GMP facility compliant with ISO 13485:2016. Specifications and

processes include:

Low endotoxin level (≤ 0.1 EU/µg)

- Purity (≥ 95% or higher)
- Bioburden testing
- Mycoplasma testing
- Batch-to-batch consistency
- Vendor qualification
- Raw material traceability and documentation
- Documented procedures and employee training
- Equipment maintenance and monitoring records
- Lot-specific certificates of analysis
- Quality audits per ISO 13485:2016
- QA review of released products

Product Details

Source Human IL-21, amino acid Gln30-Ser162 (Accession # NM 021803), was expressed in E.coli.

Molecular Mass The 133 amino acid recombinant protein has a predicted molecular mass of approximately 15.5 kD. The

DTT-reduced and non-reduced protein migrate at approximately 16 kD by SDS-PAGE. The N-terminal

amino acid is Glutamine.

Sequence Analysis

Gln-Gly-Gln-Asp-Arg-His-Met-Ile-Arg-Met

Purity ≥ 95%, as determined by Coomassie stained SDS-PAGE

Formulation 0.1 µm filtered protein solution is in PBS, 1 mM EDTA, pH 7.2.

Endotoxin Level Less than or equal to 0.1 EU per μg protein as determined by the LAL method

Residual Host Cell Protein

Content

N-terminal

≤ 0.500 ng/µg by ELISA

Concentration 500 μg/mL

Storage & Handling Unopened vial can be stored between 2°C and 8°C for up to 2 weeks, at -20°C for up to six months, or at

-70°C or colder until the expiration date. For maximum results, quick spin vial prior to opening. The protein can be aliquoted and stored at -20°C or colder. Stock solutions can also be prepared at 50 - 100 μg/mL in appropriate sterile buffer, carrier protein such as 0.2 - 1% endotoxin-free BSA or HSA can be added when preparing the stock solution. Aliquots can be stored between 2°C and 8°C for up to one week or stored at

-20°C or colder for up to 3 months. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.

Activity Assay 1: $ED_{50} = 0.6 - 3.0 \text{ ng/mL}$ as measured by its ability to induce dose-dependent secretion of IFN-y

by NK-92 cells. ELISA MAX™ Deluxe Set Human IFN-γ (Cat. No. 430104) was used to measure IFN-γ

secretion.

Assay 2: GMP Cell-Vive™ recombinant human IL-21 induces the proliferation of mouse HT-2 cells in a

dose-dependent manner. The ED₅₀ for this effect is $0.05 - 0.5 \,\mu g/mL$.

Application Bioassay

Cell Culture

Application Notes BioLegend carrier-free recombinant proteins provided in liquid format are shipped on blue ice. Our

comparison testing data indicates that when handled and stored as recommended, the liquid format has equal or better stability and shelf-life compared to commercially available lyophilized proteins after reconstitution. Our liquid proteins are verified in-house to maintain activity after shipping on blue ice and

are backed by our 100% satisfaction guarantee. If you have any concerns, contact us at

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processing. Not for injection or diagnostic or therapeutic use. Not for resale. BioLegend will not be held responsible for patent infringement or other violations that may occur with the use of our products.

Antigen Details

Structure Interleukin

Distribution CD4 activated T cells, Th17 cells, NK T cells

Function IL-21 induces T- and B-cell proliferation, B-cell Ig class switching to IgG production, decreases dendritic

cell function, enhances differentiation of effector and central memory T cells, and regulates T-cell and

hematopoietic progenitor cell homeostasis.

Interaction T cells, B cells, NK cells, and dendritic cells as well as some nonimmune cells, such as fibroblasts and

epithelial cells

Ligand/Receptor IL-21R and the common γc subunit (CD132) are components of the IL-21R complex.

Bioactivity Measured by its ability to induce IFN-γ secretion by NK-92 cells.

Cell Type B cells, Dendritic cells, Hematopoietic stem and progenitors, Tregs

Biology Area Cell Biology, Immunology, Innate Immunity, Stem Cells

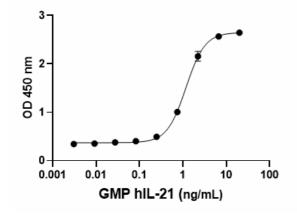
Molecular Family Cytokines/Chemokines

Antigen References

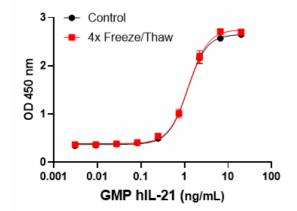
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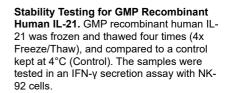
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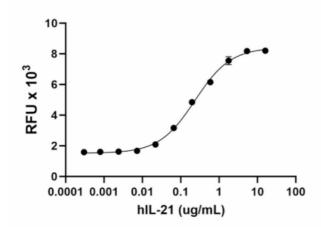
Product Data



GMP recombinant human IL-21 induces dose-dependent secretion of IFN- γ by NK-92 cells. ELISA MAXTM Deluxe Set Human IFN- γ (Cat No 430104) was used to measure IFN- γ . The ED₅₀ range for this effect is 0.6 - 3.0 ng/mL.







Recombinant human IL-21 induces the proliferation of mouse HT-2 cells in a dose-dependent manner. The ED $_{50}$ for this effect is $0.05-0.5~\mu g/mL$.

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