



## User Manual

**Interleukin-1 Alpha (IL-1 $\alpha$ ) (Murine)**

**Cat. No. MEILP-01011**

**Description:**

Interleukin-1 alpha (IL-1 $\alpha$ ) is a non-secreted proinflammatory cytokine produced in a variety of cells including monocytes, tissue macrophages, keratinocytes and other epithelial cells. Both IL-1 $\alpha$  and IL-1 $\beta$  bind to the same receptor and have similar if not identical biological properties. These cytokines have a broad range of activities including, stimulation of thymocyte proliferation, by inducing IL-2 release, B-cell maturation and proliferation, mitogenic FGF-like activity and the ability to stimulate the release of prostaglandin and collagenase from synovial cells. However, whereas IL-1 $\beta$  is a secreted cytokine, IL-1 $\alpha$  is predominantly a cell-associated cytokine.

**Source:**

*Escherichia coli*

**Unit:**

2  $\mu$ g

**Reconstitution:**

We recommend that this vial be briefly centrifuged prior to opening to bring the contents to the bottom. Reconstitute in sterile distilled water or aqueous buffer containing 0.1% BSA to a concentration of 0.1-1.0 mg/mL. Stock solutions should be apportioned into working aliquots and stored at < -20°C. Further dilutions should be made in appropriate buffered solutions.

**Formulation:**

Lyophilized from a 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS, pH 7.4.

**Storage:**

This lyophilized preparation is stable at 2-8°C, but should be kept at -20°C for long term storage, preferably desiccated. Upon reconstitution, the preparation is stable for up to one week at 2-8°C. For maximal stability, apportion the reconstituted preparation into working aliquots and store at -20°C to -70°C. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.

**Molecular Weight:**

Approximately 17.9 kDa, a single non-glycosylated polypeptide chain containing 156 amino acids.

**Endotoxin:**

Less than 1 EU/μg of IL-1α as determined by LAL method.

**Usage:**

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**Biological Activity:**

The ED50 determined by a cell proliferation assay using murine D10S cells is less than 5 pg/mL, corresponding to a specific activity of  $> 2.0 \times 10^8$  IU/mg.

**Physical Appearance:**

Sterile filtered white lyophilized (freeze-dried) powder.

**AA Sequence:**

SAPYTYQSDL RYKLMKLVRQ KFVMNDSL NQ TIYQDV DKHY LSTTWLNDLQ  
QEVKFD MYAY SSGGDDSKYP VTLKISDSQL FVSAQGEDQP VLLKELPETP  
KLITGSETDL IFFWKSINSK NYFTSAAYPE LFIATKEQSR VHLARGLP SM TDFQIS

**Purity:**

> 97% by SDS-PAGE and HPLC analyses.

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) are available upon request.

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