

Recombinant Murine IL-6

CATALOG #:	4144-10	10 µg
	4144-50	50 µg
	4144-1000	1 mg
LOT #:		
SOURCE:	<i>E. coli</i>	
PURITY:	>98% by SDS-PAGE and HPLC analyses Endotoxin level is <0.1 ng per µg of IL-6.	
MOL. WEIGHT:	21.7 kDa	
FORMULATION:	Lyophilized with no additives	

RECONSTITUTION:

Centrifuge the vial prior to opening. Reconstitute in water to a concentration of 0.1-1.0 µg/µl. The solution can then be diluted into other aqueous buffers and stored at 4°C for 1 week or – 20°C for future use.

STORAGE CONDITIONS:

The lyophilized IL-6 is best stored desiccated below 0°C. Reconstituted IL-6 should be stored at working aliquots at -20°C.

DESCRIPTION:

IL-6 is a pleiotropic cytokine that plays an important role in host defense by regulating immune and inflammatory responses. Produced by T cells, monocytes, fibroblasts, endothelial cells and keratinocytes, IL-6 has diverse biological functions. It stimulates B-cell differentiation and antibody production, synergizes with IL-3 in megakaryocyte development and platelet production, induces expression of hepatic acute-phase proteins, and regulates bone metabolism. IL-6 signals through the IL-6 receptor system that consists of two chains, IL-6R alpha and gp130. Murine IL-6 is inactive on human cells, while both human and murine are equally active on murine cells. Recombinant murine IL-6 is a 21.7 kDa protein containing 187 amino acid residues.

BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY:

The ED₅₀ as determined by the dose-dependent stimulation of the proliferation of the IL-6 dependent murine 7TD1 cells is ≤0.02 ng/ml, corresponding to a specific activity of ≥5 x 10⁷ units/mg.

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