PRODUCT INFORMATION

Content
- 5 mg LPS-B5 (lipopolysaccharide from E. coli serotype 055:K59(B5)(H)
Source strain: ATCC 12014; CDC 5624-50 [NCTC 9701]
- 1.5 ml endotoxin-free water

Storage
- LPS-B5 is shipped at room temperature and should be stored at -20 °C
- Resuspended LPS-B5 may be stored for 1 month at 4 °C or for 6 months
when aliquoted and stored at -20 °C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Quality control
- The TLR4 activity is validated using HEK-Blue™ TLR4 cells.
- The presence of other bacterial components (e.g. lipoproteins) is monitored using HEK-Blue™ TLR2 cells.

DESCRIPTION

LPS-B5 is a standard preparation of a smooth (S)-form lipopolysaccharide (LPS) from the Gram-negative bacteria E. coli 055:B5. LPS-B5 is a prototypical endotoxin and is often used as an endotoxin standard in Limulus amebocyte lysate (LAL) assays. LPS is the principal component of Gram negative bacteria that activates the innate immune system. LPS recognition is predominantly mediated by TLR4.

LPS is composed of three domains; an O-antigenic polysaccharide, a core oligosaccharide, and an amphipathic domain known as lipid A. The presence or absence of O-antigenic polysaccharide chains (O-chains) determines whether the LPS is considered smooth or rough. Full-length O-chains render the LPS smooth, whereas the absence or reduction of O-chains make the LPS rough. The core domain contains an oligosaccharide component that attaches directly to lipid A. The lipid A domain is responsible for the endotoxic activity of LPS.

LPS-B5 is highly pyrogenic and a potent activator of TLR4 with the subsequent induction of NF-κB and the production of pro-inflammatory cytokines. LPS-B5 is extracted by successive enzymatic hydrolysis steps and purified by the phenol-TEA-DOC extraction protocol as described previously. LPS-B5 contains other bacterial components, such as lipoproteins, and therefore stimulates both TLR4 and TLR2.

METHODOLOGY

Preparation of stock solution (5 mg/ml)
- Add 1 ml of endotoxin-free water (provided) and homogenize.
- Prepare aliquots of stock solution and store at 4°C. Further dilutions can be prepared using water.

Working concentrations:
- TLR4 activity: 100 pg - 1 µg/ml
- TLR2 activity: 100 ng/ml - 1 µg/ml

TLR4 activation using LPS-B5

LPS-B5 can be used to activate TLR4 in cells expressing this receptor such as HEK-Blue™ TLR4 cells. These cells were designed to study TLR4 stimulation by monitoring NF-kB activation. Stimulation of HEK-Blue™ TLR4 cells with a TLR4 agonist activates NF-kB which induces the production of SEAP (secreted embryonic alkaline phosphatase). Levels of SEAP can be easily determined using HEK-Blue™ Detection, a cell culture medium that allows the detection of SEAP as the reporter protein is secreted by the cells.

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- Dispense 20 µl of LPS-B5 at various concentrations (100 pg - 1 µg/ml) per well of a 96-well plate.
- Prepare a cell suspension (~140,000 cells per ml in HEK-Blue™ detection medium and immediately add 180 µl of the cell suspension (~25,000 cells) to each LPS-B5-containing well.
- Incubate the plate for 6 - 24 h at 37 °C, 5% CO2.
- Determine SEAP levels using a spectrophotometer at 620 - 655 nm.

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