# Recombinant human IL-4

E. coli expressed human interleukin-4 with HSA

Cat. code: rcyec-hil4; rcyec-hil4-5 https://www.invivogen.com/human-il4

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# PRODUCT INFORMATION

#### Contents

Recombinant human IL-4 is provided as a lyophilized powder and is available in two quantities:

- rcyec-hil4: 10 µg
- rcyec-hil4-5: 50 μg (5 x 10 μg)

Note: This product is sterile filtered prior to lyophilization.

• 1.5 ml endotoxin-free water for rcyec-hil4 and rcyec-hil4-5

#### Storage and stability

- Recombinant human IL-4 is shipped at room temperature. Upon receipt, it should be immediately stored at -20 °C.
- Upon resuspension, prepare aliquots of recombinant human IL-4 and store at 4  $^{\circ}$ C for 1 week or at -20  $^{\circ}$ C to -80  $^{\circ}$ C for 12 months. Note: Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

#### Quality control

- Purity: ≥ 98% (SDS-PAGE)
- Endotoxin level: ≤ 0.1 EU/µg (LAL assay)
- The absence of bacterial contamination (e.g. lipoproteins and endotoxins) has been confirmed using HEK-Blue  $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  TLR2 and HEK-Blue  $^{\text{\tiny TM}}$  TLR4 cells.
- The biological activity of IL-4 is confirmed using HEK-Blue™ IL-4/IL-13 cells.

# Characteristics

- Alternate name: B-cell stimulatory factor 1, Lymphocyte stimulatory factor 1
- Source: Bacterial; Escherichia coli (E. coli)
- Carrier: HSA (human serum albumin)
- Tag: Tag-free
- Accession number: P05112
- Molecular mass: ~ 15 kDa (SDS-PAGE)
- Formulation: Recombinant human IL-4 was lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered phosphate buffer saline (pH 7.4), 5% saccharose, 2% HSA.
- Solubility: 100 μg/ml in water

# **APPLICATIONS**

• Cellular assays

# PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Interleukin 4 (IL-4) plays an important role in regulating inflammation and immune responses. It induces the differentiation of naïve helper T cells to Th2 cells. This cytokine binds the IL-4 receptor that also binds another cytokine interleukin 13 (IL-13), which may explain the overlapping functions of IL-4 and IL-13<sup>1, 2</sup>.

Recombinant human IL-4 is a high-quality and biologically active cytokine, validated using proprietary IL-4/IL-13 reporter cells. This member of the IL-2/ $\gamma$ c superfamily is produced in *E. coli* and thoroughly purified to remove endotoxins.

Recombinant human IL-4 can be used together with HEK-Blue<sup>TM</sup> IL-4/IL-13 cells for the screening of inhibitory molecules, such as Dupilumab, a therapeutic monoclonal antibody targeting the IL-4R $\alpha$  subunit of the IL-4 receptor.

1. Kasaian MT. *et al.*, 2013. An IL-4/IL-13 dual antagonist reduces lung inflammation, airway hyperresponsiveness, and IgE production in mice. Am J Respir Cell Mol Biol. 49(1):37-46. 2. David M. *et al.*, 2003. Functional characterization of IL-13 receptor a2 gene promoter: a critical role of the transcription factor STAT6 for regulated expression. Oncogene 22, 3386-3394.

# **METHODS**

## Preparation of stock solution (100 µg/ml):

- 1. Add 100  $\mu I$  of endotoxin-free water (provided) to 10  $\mu g$  of recombinant human IL-4.
- 2. Mix gently by pipetting until completely resuspended.
- 3. Use immediately or prepare aliquots and store at -20  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  or -80  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  . Avoid freeze-thaw cycles.
- 4. Further dilutions can be prepared in the appropriate aqueous buffer, such as cell culture medium containing serum.

## RELATED PRODUCTS

Product	Cat. Code
HEK-Blue™ IL-4/IL-13 Cells	hkb-il413
Anti-hIL-4R-hIgG4 (S228P)	hil4r-mab14
Recombinant human IL-13	rcyc-hil13

