Recombinant Mouse IFN beta 1a protein(His Tag)

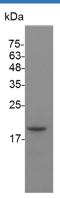
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Note: Centrifuge before opening to ensure complete recovery of vial contents.

Description	
Species	Mouse
Mol_Mass	20.7 kDa
Accession	P01575
Bio-activity	Measure by its ability to protect HeLa cells infected with encephalomyocarditis (EMC)
	virus. The ED_{50} for this effect is <5 pg/mL. The specific activity of recombinant mouse
	IFN beta 1a is $> 1 \times 10^9$ IU/mg.





> 98 % as determined by reducing SDS-PAGE.

Background

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Interferons (IFNs) are natural glycoproteins belonging to the cytokine superfamily and are produced by the cells of the immune system of most vertebrates in response to challenges by foreign agents such as viruses, parasites, and tumor cells. Interferon-beta (IFN beta) is an extracellular protein mediator of host defense and homeostasis. IFN beta has well-established direct antiviral, antiproliferative, and immunomodulatory properties. Recombinant IFN beta is approved for the treatment of relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis. The recombinant IFN beta protein has the theoretical potential to either treat or causes autoimmune neuromuscular disorders by altering the complicated and delicate balances within the immune system networks. It is the most widely prescribed disease-modifying therapy for multiple sclerosis (MS). IFN beta is effective in reducing relapses in secondary progressive MS and may have a modest effect in slowing disability progression. In addition to the common antiviral activity, IFN beta also induces increased production of the p53 gene product which promotes apoptosis and thus has a therapeutic effect against certain cancers. The role of IFN-beta in bone metabolism could warrant its systematic evaluation as a potential adjunct to therapeutic regimens of osteolytic diseases. Furthermore, IFN beta might play a beneficial role in the development of chronic progressive CNS inflammation