# Recombinant Human IL-16 (129 a.a.) protein(N-His)

**Catalog Number: PKSH034104**

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

## Description

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| **Species** | Human |
| **Source** | E.coli-derived Human IL-16 protein Met 1203-Ser 1332, with an C-terminal His |
| **Calculated MW** | 14.1 kDa |
| **Observed MW** | 18 kDa |
| **Accession** | Q14005 |
| **Bio-activity** | Not validated for activity |

## Properties

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| **Purity** | > 95 % as determined by reducing SDS-PAGE. |
| **Endotoxin** | < 0.1 EU per μg of the protein as determined by the LAL method. |
| **Storage** | Generally, lyophilized proteins are stable for up to 12 months when stored at -20 to -80°C. Reconstituted protein solution can be stored at 4-8°C for 2-7 days. Aliquots of reconstituted samples are stable at < -20°C for 3 months. |
| **Shipping** | This product is provided as lyophilized powder which is shipped with ice packs. |
| **Formulation** | Lyophilized from sterile PBS,pH 8.0.<br>Normally 5% - 8% trehalose, mannitol and 0.01% Tween 80 are added as protectants before lyophilization.<br>Please refer to the specific buffer information in the printed manual. |
| **Reconstitution** | Please refer to the printed manual for detailed information. |

## Background

Interleukin-16 (IL-16) is a CD8+ T cell-derived cytokine that induces chemotaxis of CD4+ T cells and CD4+ monocytes and eosinophils. Analysis by gel filtration suggests that, under physiological conditions, human IL-16 exists predominantly as a noncovalently linked multimer, but that some IL-16 may exist as a monomer. However, only the multimeric form appears to possess chemotactic activity, suggesting that receptor cross-linking may be required for activity. IL-16 also induces expression of IL-2 receptor (IL-2R) and MHC class II molecules on CD4+ T cells. Human and murine IL-16 show significant cross-species reactivity.


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