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## DATASHEET

## IL-21, Human

Cat. No.: Z02715

## **Product Introduction**

| Species                      | Human  |
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| Protein Construction         | IL-21 (Gln30-Ser162)<br>Accession # Q9HBE4   |
| Purity                       | > 97% as analyzed by SDS-PAGE<br>> 97% as analyzed by HPLC   |
| Endotoxin Level              | < 1 EU/µg of protein by LAL method   |
| Biological Activity          | Fully biologically active when compared to standard. The ED <sub>50</sub> as determined by by a cell proliferation assay using human N1186 T cells is less than 20.0 ng/ml, corresponding to a specific activity of > $5.0 \times 10^4$ IU/mg.           |
| Expression System            | E. coli  |
| Theoretical Molecular Weight | 15.4 kDa   |
| Formulation                  | Lyophilized from a 0.2 $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS, pH 7.4.   |
| Reconstitution               | It is recommended that this vial be briefly centrifuged prior to opening to bring the contents to the bottom. Reconstitute the lyophilized powder in sterile distilled water or aqueous buffer containing 0.1 % BSA to a concentration of 0.1-1.0 mg/ml. |
| Storage & Stability          | Upon receiving, this product remains stable for up to 6 months at -70°C or -20°C. Upon reconstitution, the product should be stable for up to 1 week at 4°C or up to 3 months at -20°C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.                               |

## Background

**Target Background :** IL-21 is a pleiotropic cytokine produced by CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells in response to antigenic stimulation. Its action generally enhances antigen-specific responses of immune cells. The biological effects of IL-21 include induction of differentiation of T-cells-stimulated B-cells into plasma cells and memory B-cells, stimulation (in conjuction) with IL-4 of IgG production, and induction of apoptotic effects in naïve B-cells and stimulated B-cells in the absence of T-cell signaling. Additionally, IL-21 promotes the anti-tumor activity of CD8<sup>+</sup> T-cells and NK cells. IL-21 exerts its effect through binding to a specific type I cytokine receptor, IL-21R, which also contains the gamma chain (γc) found in other cytokine receptors including IL-2, IL-4, IL-7, IL-9 and IL-15. The IL-21/IL-21R interaction triggers a cascade of events which includes activation of the tyrosine kinases JAK1 and JAK3, followed by activation of the transcription factors STAT1 and STAT3.



Synonyms: IL21; CVID11; IL-21; Za11; interleukin 21

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