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<b>Products</b>	Mouse IFN- $\gamma$ , research grade. Recombinant mouse interferon $\gamma$ .						
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<b>Biological activity</b>	The ED <sub>50</sub> is $\leq 1.0$ ng/mL corresponding to an activity of $\geq 1 \times 10^6$ IU/mg. <b>▲ Note:</b> The ED <sub>50</sub> is determined by inhibition assay using murine WEHI-279 cells according to Wong <i>et al.</i> <sup>1</sup> The inhibition assay was calibrated with the international standard for mouse IFN- $\gamma$ (NR-3081).						
<b>Primary structure</b>	Single non-glycosylated polypeptide chain without N-terminal methionine (133 amino acid residues).						
<b>Molecular mass</b>	15.5 kDa.						
<b>Source</b>	Produced in <i>E. coli</i> .						
<b>Product format</b>	Lyophilized from a filtered (0.2 $\mu\text{m}$ ) buffer solution.						
<b>Stabilizer</b>	Mannitol and trehalose.						
<b>Purity</b>	>90% as determined by SDS-PAGE analysis.						
<b>Endotoxin level</b>	Low endotoxin (<1.0 EU/ $\mu\text{g}$ cytokine) as determined by Limulus Amebocyte Lysate (LAL) assay.						
<b>Storage</b>	Lyophilized Mouse IFN- $\gamma$ , research grade should be stored at $-20$ °C. The expiration date is indicated on the vial label. Upon reconstitution aliquots should be stored at $-20$ °C or below. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.						
<b>Reconstitution</b>	It is recommended to reconstitute lyophilized Mouse IFN- $\gamma$ , research grade with deionized sterile-filtered water to a final concentration of 0.1–1.0 mg/mL in a minimal volume of 100 $\mu\text{L}$ . Further dilutions should be prepared with 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) or human serum albumin (HSA) in phosphate-buffered saline.						

## 1.1 Background information

Interferon  $\gamma$  (IFN- $\gamma$ ) is a homodimer produced by a variety of immune cells, mainly activated T cells and NK cells. In addition to its antiviral activity<sup>2</sup>, IFN- $\gamma$  is a potent activator of macrophages, has antiproliferative effects on transformed cells, and can potentiate the antiviral and antitumor effects of type I interferons. Transgenic mice expressing IFN- $\gamma$  in the pancreas have been shown to develop autoimmune diabetes, caused by infiltration of lymphocytes. IFN- $\gamma$  knockout mice develop normally, but are highly susceptible to infection with low numbers of certain intracellular bacterial pathogens and fungi. Mouse IFN- $\gamma$  shows approximately 40% amino acid sequence homologous with human IFN- $\gamma$ . It is highly specific without showing cross-reactivity between species.

## 1.2 Applications

Mouse IFN- $\gamma$  may be used for a variety of applications, including:

- Macrophage stimulation to study antimicrobial and anti-tumor effects.
- *In vitro* maturation of DCs, e.g. of MDCs to study the influence of HIV-1 infection.

Optimal concentration for a specific application should be determined by a dose-response experiment.

## 2. References

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