



## Interleukin-2, rat recombinant (rrIL-2)

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**Source:** *E. coli*  
**Synonyms:** T-cell growth factor (TCGF), Aldesleukin, Lymphokine, IL-2

### Background

IL2 is a secreted cytokine that is important for the proliferation of T and B lymphocytes. The receptor of this cytokine is a heterotrimeric protein complex whose gamma chain is also shared by interleukin 4 (IL4) and interleukin 7 (IL7). The expression of this gene in mature thymocytes is monoallelic, which represents an unusual regulatory mode for controlling the precise expression of a single gene. The targeted disruption of a similar gene in mice leads to ulcerative colitis-like disease, which suggests an essential role of this gene in the immune response to antigenic stimuli.

### Description

Interleukin-2 rat recombinant produced in *E. coli* is a single, non-glycosylated polypeptide chain containing 134 amino acids and having a molecular mass of 17 kDa. IL-2 is purified by proprietary chromatographic techniques.

### Physical Appearance

Sterile filtered white lyophilized (freeze-dried) powder.

### Formulation

The protein (1 mg/ml) was lyophilized without any additives.

### Solubility

It is recommended to reconstitute the lyophilized Interleukin-2 in sterile 100 mM AcOH not less than 100 µg/ml, which can then be further diluted to other aqueous solutions.

### Stability

Lyophilized Interleukin-2, although stable at room temperature for 3 weeks, should be stored desiccated below -18°C. Upon reconstitution IL2 should be stored at 4°C between 2-7 days and for future use below -18°C. For long term storage it is recommended to add a carrier protein (0.1% HSA or BSA). Please prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

### Purity

Greater than 95.0% as determined by SDS-PAGE.

### Amino Acid Sequence

The sequence of the first five N-terminal amino acids was determined and was found to be Met-Ala-Pro-Thr-Ser.

### Activity

The ED50 as determined by the dose-dependant stimulation of murine CTLL-2 cells is 0.1 - 0.4 ng/ml corresponding to a specific activity of 2,500,000 - 10,000,000 units/mg.

### Usage

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