

## IL-18BP Protein, Human, Recombinant

### General Information

Synonyms:	IL18BP;Tadekinig-alfa
Protein Construction:	Thr31-Gly194
Species:	Human
Expression Host:	CHO Cells
Accession:	O95998
Molecular Weight:	42~44 kDa (Reducing conditions)

### QC Testing

Biological Activity:	ED 50 < 30.0 ng /ml, measured in a bioassay using KG-1 cells in the presence of 50.0 ng/ml Human IL-18.
Purity:	> 95% as determined by SDS-PAGE; > 95% as determined by HPLC
Endotoxin:	< 0.2 EU/μg of protein as determined by the LAL method.
Formulation:	Lyophilized from a 0.2 μm filtered solution in PBS.

### Preparation and Storage

#### Reconstitution:

Reconstitute the lyophilized protein in sterile deionized water. The product concentration should not be less than 100 μg/ml. Before opening, centrifuge the tube to collect powder at the bottom. After adding the reconstitution buffer, avoid vortexing or pipetting for mixing.

#### Stability & Storage:

Upon receiving, this product remains stable for up to 6 months at lower than -70°C. Upon reconstitution, the product should be stable for up to 1 week at 4°C or up to 3 months at -20°C. For long term storage it is recommended that a carrier protein (example 0.1% BSA) be added. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

Actual storage temperature shall be subject to the COA.

#### Shipping:

In general, lyophilized powders are shipped with blue ice, while solutions are shipped with dry ice.

### Protein Background

Interleukin-18 binding protein, also known as IL-18BP and tadekinig-alfa, is a secreted glycoprotein that contains an Ig-like C2-type domain. It is expressed in heart, lung, placenta and spleen. IL-18BP functions as an inhibitor of the proinflammatory cytokine IL-18. It binds to IL-18, prevents the binding of IL-18 to its receptor, and thus blocks IL-18-induced IFN-gamma production. The complete Ig domain has been shown to mediate the binding and neutralizing properties. IFN-gamma is able to upregulate the expression of IL-18BP, indicating that IL-18 activity is regulated by a feedback mechanism through IL-18BP.

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