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ProductInformation

Importin α2
human, recombinant, expressed in *E. coli*

Catalog Number **I9656**
Storage Temperature –70 °C

CAS RN: 672548-58-2 (untagged 529 amino acid protein)

Synonyms: hSRP1α; Karyopherin α2; Rch1

Product Description

Human Importin α2 is expressed in *E. coli* as an N-terminal histidine tagged protein. It has an apparent molecular weight of 60 kDa (SDS-PAGE). The recombinant protein specifically binds NLS-BSA-Rhodamine.

The importin α (karyopherin α, Impα) family consists of nuclear transport adapter proteins with molecular weights of ~60 kDa. Importin α links the import receptor, importin β (karyopherin β1, p97, Impβ), with cargo proteins containing classical nuclear localization signal (NLS). Binding of importin β to importin α increases the affinity of the importin α NLS binding domain to the cargo protein. Formation of the Impα/Impβ/cargo complex triggers the binding of importin β to the nuclear pore complex (NPC) and subsequent import of the entire complex into the nucleus. Inside the nucleus, the cargo protein and importin α are released from the complex upon binding of Ran-GTP to importin β. Importin α is recycled back to the cytoplasm by CAS, an importin α specific export receptor.

Purity: ≥90% (SDS -PAGE)

Reagent

Supplied as a solution in 20 mM HEPES-KOH, pH 7.3, 100 mM potassium acetate, 2 mM DTT, 5% glycerol, and 0.02% TRITON® X-100.

Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

The product ships on dry ice and storage at –70 °C is recommended

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