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HIV-1 p55 gag

Description:HIV-1 p55 Recombinant- is a 55kDa protein derived from gag gene of an HTLV-3/LAV isolate of HIV-1. The HIV-1 p55 is glycosylated with N-linked sµgars and produced using baculovirus vectors in insect cells. The full length authmentic p55 gag protein forms particles within iteself of approximately 23nm in size (as determined by electron particles).

Source: Baculovirus Insect Cells.

Physical Appearance: Sterile filtered colorless clear solution.

Purity: Greater than 90.0% as determined by HPLC analysis & SDS-PAGE.

Specificty:

Immunoreactive with sera from HIV infected individuals.

Formulation:

The HIV-1 p55 gag protein solution contains 10mM Tris pH 8, 140mM NaCl and 400mM L-Arginine.

Stability:

Recombinant HIV -1 p55 although stable at 4°C for 3 weeks, should be stored desiccated below -18°C. For long term storage it is recommended to add a carrier protein (0.1% HSA or BSA). Please avoid freeze-thaw cycles.

Usage:

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Applications:

HIV-1 p55 gag antigen is suitable for ELISA and Western blots, excellent antigen for early detection of HIV seroconvertors with minimal specificity problems.

Introduction:

Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is a retrovirusthat can lead to a condition in which the immune systembegins to fail, leading to opportunistic infections. HIV primarily infects vital cells in the humanimmune systemsuch as helper T cells(specifically CD4+ T cells), macrophagesand dendritic cells. HIV infection leads to low levels of CD4+ T cells through three main mechanisms: firstly, direct viral killing of infected cells; secondly, increased rates of apoptosisin infected cells; and thirdly, killing of infected CD4+ T cells by CD8 cytotoxic lymphocytesthat recognize infected cells. When CD4+ T cell numbers decline below a critical level, cell-mediated immunityis lost, and the body becomes progressively more susceptible to opportunistic infections. HIV was classified as a member of the genus Lentivirus, part of the family of Retroviridae. Lentiviruses have many common morphologies and biological properties. Many species are infected by lentiviruses, which are characteristically responsible for long-duration illnesses with a long incubation period. Lentiviruses are transmitted as single-stranded, positive-sense, enveloped RNA viruses. Upon entry of the target cell, the viral RNA genomeis converted to double-stranded DNAby a virally encoded reverse transcriptasethat is present in the virus particle. This viral DNA is then integrated into the cellular DNA by a virally encoded integraseso that the genome can be transcribed. Once the virus has infected the cell, two pathways are possible: either the virus becomes latentand the







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of virus particles are liberated that can then infect other cells.



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