

## DESCRIPTION

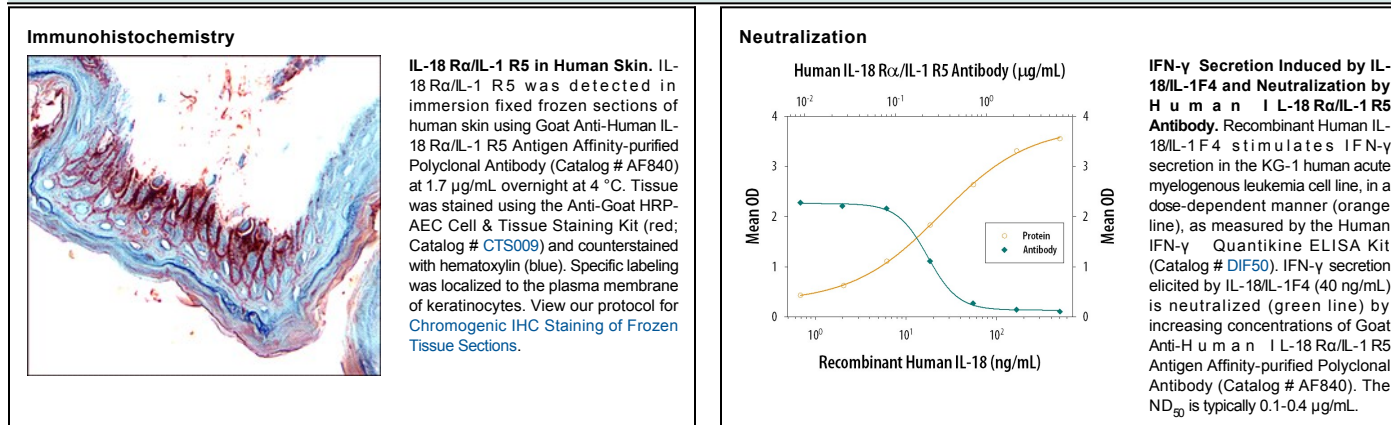
<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Human
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects human IL-18 R $\alpha$ /IL-1 R5 in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs, approximately 5% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse IL-18 R $\alpha$ is observed.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human IL-18 R $\alpha$ /IL-1 R5 Glu20-Arg329 Accession # Q13478
<b>Endotoxin Level</b>	<0.10 EU per 1 $\mu$ g of the antibody by the LAL method.
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied as a 0.2 $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS.

## APPLICATIONS

**Please Note:** Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. *General Protocols* are available in the *Technical Information* section on our website.

	Recommended Concentration	Sample
<b>Western Blot</b>	0.1 $\mu$ g/mL	Recombinant Human IL-18 R $\alpha$ /IL-1 R5 Fc Chimera (Catalog # 816-LR)
<b>Flow Cytometry</b>	2.5 $\mu$ g/10 <sup>6</sup> cells	Human CD3 <sup>+</sup> T cells treated with PHA and Recombinant Human IL-2 (Catalog # 202-IL)
<b>Immunohistochemistry</b>	5-15 $\mu$ g/mL	See Below
<b>Neutralization</b>	Measured by its ability to neutralize IL-18/IL-1F4-induced IFN- $\gamma$ secretion in the KG-1 human acute myelogenous leukemia cell line. The Neutralization Dose (ND <sub>50</sub> ) is typically 0.1-0.4 $\mu$ g/mL in the presence of 40 ng/mL Recombinant Human IL-18/IL-1F4.	

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## PREPARATION AND STORAGE

<b>Reconstitution</b>	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
<b>Shipping</b>	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below. *Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C
<b>Stability &amp; Storage</b>	<b>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.</li> <li>• 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> <li>• 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul>

## BACKGROUND

Interleukin 18 (IL-18) is a member of the IL-1 family of cytokines and shares numerous immuno-regulatory functions with IL-12. The functional IL-18 receptor complex is composed of two subunits designated IL-18 R $\alpha$  (also termed IL-1 R5 and IL-1 Rrp) and IL-18 R $\beta$  (also termed IL-1 R7 and AcPL). Both IL-18 R $\alpha$  and IL-18 R $\beta$  belong to the IL-1 receptor superfamily. Although IL-18 R $\alpha$  by itself binds IL-18 with low-affinity and IL-18 R $\beta$  does not bind IL-18 *in vitro*, co-expression of IL-18 R $\alpha$  and IL-18 R $\beta$  is required for high-affinity binding and IL-18 responsiveness. Human IL-18 R cDNA encodes a 541 amino acid (aa) precursor type I membrane protein with a hydrophobic signal, an extracellular domain comprised of three immunoglobulin-like domains, a transmembrane domain and a cytoplasmic region of approximately 200 aa residues. Human and mouse IL-18 R share 65% amino acid sequence homology. IL-18 R is widely expressed in numerous tissues including spleen, thymus, leukocyte, liver, lung, heart, small and large intestine, prostate, and placenta.

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