

Recombinant *Borrelia burgdorferi* sensu stricto (B31) CRASP-2 Protein, MBP-tagged

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SPECIFICATION

Product Overview	This is a recombinant <i>Borrelia burgdorferi</i> CRASP-2 protein, fused to an MBP-tag and produced in <i>E. coli</i> (>90% purity).
Tag	MBP
Background	CRASP-2 is encoded by the spirochete <i>B. burgdorferi</i>, which is carried by Ixodes ticks. Strain B31 is the type strain (ATCC 35210) for this organism and was derived by limited dilutional cloning from the original Lyme-disease tick isolate obtained by A. Barbour (Johnson, et al., 1984). <i>B. burgdorferi</i> differ in their susceptibility to normal human serum and are therefore classified as complement-resistant, complement-sensitive and intermediate complement-sensitive. Complement resistant bacteria absorb human immune regulators FHL-1/reconectin and factor H using two outer surface Complement Regulator-Acquiring Surface Proteins (CRASP-1 and CRASP-2). Surface-attached FHL-1/reconectin retains its complement regulatory and cleavage activity (Kraicz, et al., 2001). Factor H and FHL-1 serve as cofactors for factor I, a serine protease that cleaves complement component 3b (C3b) directly on the cell surface and thereby ensures resistance of spirochetes to complement-mediated lysis (Kraicz, et al., 2007). CRASP-2 (CSPz) is a 20/21- kDa protein which binds to FHL-1 and factor H binding protein (although it interacts preferentially with Factor H) and may be predominantly expressed by serum-resistant <i>Borrelia</i> strains (Rossmann, et al., 2006). It is possible that because of discontinuous binding regions in the factor H/FHL-1, a long-distance

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interaction may be involved in binding of both immune regulators. Putative coiled-coil structural elements may also be important in the interaction of *B. burgdorferi* CRASP-1 with factor H (Kraiczya, et al., 2007).

These proteins represent another immune evasion mechanism of *B. burgdorferi*, as bacteria acquire human complement regulators to control complement activation on their surface and prevent formation of toxic activation products (Kraiczy, et al., 2001).

Purity	>90% by SDS-PAGE
Formulation	0.02 M Potassium Phosphate, 0.15 M Sodium Chloride, pH 7.2 and 0.01% (w/v) Sodium Azide
Stability	At +4 centigrade: Not determined. At -80 centigrade: Not determined.
Freezing	Can be frozen, but avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles.
Storage	Short Term Storage: +2 centigrade to +8 centigrade Long Term Storage: -80 centigrade
Concentration	1.0 mg/mL by UV absorbance at 280 nm
Notes	This product is intended for research and manufacturing uses only. It is not a diagnostic device. The user assumes all responsibility for care, custody and control of the material, including its disposal, in accordance with all regulations.
Type	Recombinant
ClassID 1	Infectious Disease

GENE INFORMATION

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Synonyms

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