

## U1-snRNP 68/70 kDa

### Antigen Specification

**Product Number:** 13000

**Description:**

Human U1-snRNP 68/70 kDa protein component of the U1 small nuclear ribonucleoprotein particle. Recombinant antigen for in vitro research and manufacturing use only.

**Immunological function:**

Binds IgG-type human auto-antibodies.

**Origin:**

Recombinant. Expressed in *E. coli* bacterial cells.

**Expression construct:**

cDNA coding for the 70kDa isoform of the human U1-snRNP 68/70 kDa protein (lacking 66 internal amino acids outside the known epitope-containing areas) fused to a hexa-histidine purification tag.

**Biochemical tests:**

SDS-PAGE (purity > 90%); Western blot with i: anti-U1-snRNP 68/70 kDa autoantibody-positive sample; ii: monoclonal anti-His-tag antibody.

**Calculated molecular weight:**

45 kDa  
(U1-snRNP 68/70 kDa displays aberrant electrophoretic mobility leading to an apparent discrepancy between calculated molecular weight and the 55-56 kDa molecular weight determined for this internally shortened molecule by SDS gel electrophoresis).

**Calculated isoelectric point:**

pH 10.2

**Immunological tests/Functionality:**

Standard ELISA test (checkerboard analysis of positive/negative sample panels, including CDC international reference sera); line assay and immunodot analyses with positive/negative samples.

**Recommended buffer/storage and handling conditions:**

Recommendations for storage buffer: neutral to slightly alkaline pH; due to purification workup under denaturing conditions presence of up to 0.02% SDS (or similar detergents) may be required for maintaining solubility. Storage conditions: -70°C or below. Repeated freeze/thaw cycles should be avoided.

**Coating concentration:**

0.3-0.6 µg/mL (depending on the type of ELISA plate and coating buffer). Suitable for labeling of functional groups.

**Remark on assays with this antigen:**

Anti-RNP autoantibodies, traditionally determined with the entire U1-snRNP particle as antigen, will require simultaneous use of recombinant U1-snRNP 68/70 kDa, U1-snRNP A and U1-snRNP C antigens for complete identification of anti-RNP positive sample.

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