

Immunization Grade Bovine Type XI Collagen, Lyophilized

Catalog # 1082

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DESCRIPTION: Type XI collagen is purified from pepsin-solubilized cartilage by repeat salt precipitation.

Type XI collagen is one of three types of collagen which make up cartilage fibrils and consists of three α -chains, $\alpha 1$ (XI), $\alpha 2$ (XI), and $\alpha 3$ (XI), where $\alpha 3$ (XI) is homologous to the $\alpha 1$ (II) chain

of type II collagen (1).

NOTE: Type XI collagen shares significant similarities with type V collagen, which consists of

 $\alpha 1$ (V), $\alpha 2$ (V), and $\alpha 3$ (V) chains, but these alpha chains are not identical (2).

APPLICATION: Use as an immunizing antigen to generate antibodies, an antigen to detect anti-type XI collagen

antibodies in ELISA, or as a standard for gel analysis.

NOTE: Antibodies against type II collagen partially cross-react to type XI collagen due to the

homology between a3 (XI) and a1 (II).

QUANTITY: 5 mg

FORM: Lyophilized powder

SOURCE: Bovine articular cartilage

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: Intact type XI collagen: approximately 360 kDa. By 6% gel analysis, type XI collagen is

separated into three α-chains: α1 (XI), α2(XI), and α3 (XI) (1052, 1478, and 1060 A.A. residues)

from the top of the gel.

PURITY: >90% by SDS-PAGE gel analysis

STORAGE: 4°C in the dark for lyophilized form and -20°C for solution form. Collagen may gradually degrade

under neutral conditions.

STABILITY: 2 years

NOTES: Type XI collagen can be dissolved at 4 mg/ml in an acidic solution such as 0.01-0.05M acetic

acid, pH 3.0-3.3 or 0.15M citrate buffer, pH 3.6 by stirring at 4°C overnight. To neutralize the solution, add 10X neutral buffer containing 1.5M NaCl or dialyze the solution against a neutral

buffer.

Chondrex, Inc. offers Cat # 9075, Collagen Solubilizing Buffer (0.05M acetic acid), as a

companion product for dissolving or diluting collagen.

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