# PRODUCT INFORMATION



## Alpha-1 Antitrypsin

Item No. 24560

## **Overview and Properties**

 $A_1A$ ,  $A_1AT$ , AAT,  $\alpha_1$ -Antitrypsin Synonyms:

Source: **Uniprot No.:** P01009 Molecular Weight: 54,000 kDa -80°C (as supplied) Storage:

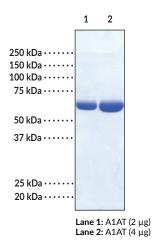
Stability: ≥2 years

batch specific (≥90% estimated by SDS-PAGE) **Purity:** 

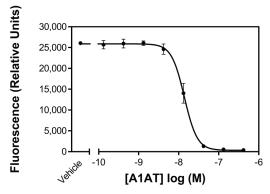
Supplied in: Lyophilized in PBS, pH 7.4

Information represents the product specifications. Batch specific analytical results are provided on each certificate of analysis.

### **Images**



Representative gel image shown; actual purity may vary between each batch.



Neutrophil Elastase inhibition by A1AT using Cayman's Neutrophil Elastase Activity Assay Kit (600610)

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This material should be considered hazardous until further information becomes available. Do not ingest, inhale, get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling. Before use, the user must review the complete Safety Data Sheet, which has been sent via email to your institution.

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## Description

Alpha-1 antitrypsin is a serine protease inhibitor and member of the serpin superfamily.<sup>1</sup> It has a five-stranded A β-sheet and a mobile reactive center loop that acts as a pseudosubstrate for various proteases. Alpha-1 antitrypsin binds to a protease, undergoes proteolytic cleavage, and forms a covalent linkage between a carboxyl group in the reactive loop and the serine hydroxyl of the protease active site, effectively inactivating the enzyme which is then cleared from circulation. The primary targets of alpha-1 antitrypsin are neutrophil elastase and proteinase 3, however, it also inhibits trypsin, kallikreins 7 and 14, and matriptase.<sup>2</sup> Alpha-1 antitrypsin protects the lower respiratory tract from proteolytic destruction *via* inhibition of neutrophil elastase and reduced serum levels of alpha-1 antitrypsin have been linked to early-onset liver disease and emphysema.<sup>3</sup> Alpha-1 antitrypsin is an acute-phase protein that reduces production of inflammatory cytokines, inhibits apoptosis, blocks leukocyte degranulation and migration, as well as suppresses NF-κB nuclear translocation in monocytes. It delays disease onset in mouse models of inflammatory disease, including collagen-induced arthritis and experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE).

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