



3050 Spruce Street  
Saint Louis, Missouri 63103 USA  
Telephone 800-325-5832 • (314) 771-5765  
Fax (314) 286-7828  
email: techserv@sial.com  
sigma-aldrich.com

## Product Information

### Kaliotoxin-1

recombinant, expressed in *E. coli*

Catalog Number **K3764**

Storage Temperature  $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

CAS RN: 150769-72-5

Synonym: 1KTX scorpion toxin

### Product Description

Kaliotoxin-1, recombinant, is a peptide with the sequence GVEINVKCSG SPQCLKPCKD AGMRFGKCMN RKCHCTP, expressed in and extracted from *E. coli* and purified to homogeneity. The peptide concentration and identification were determined by amino acid analysis.

Kaliotoxin-1 was originally isolated, identified and synthesized as a 37 amino acid peptide.<sup>1</sup> Later the authors further analyzed the toxin, and came to the conclusion that the toxin is 38 amino acids, having an additional Lys at the C-terminal, but with biological activity very similar to the 37 amino acid toxin.<sup>2</sup> Kaliotoxin-1, recombinant is the highly purified 37 amino acid version. Its activity was compared to the 38 amino acid version, and found to have identical biological properties

Kaliotoxin-1 was originally isolated from the venom of the scorpion *Androctonus mauretanicus mauretanicus*. It belongs to the  $\alpha$ -KTX-3.1 scorpion toxin family, having three disulfide bridges.<sup>1,3</sup> Kaliotoxin-1 is a potent inhibitor of large conductance  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -activated  $\text{K}^{+}$ -channels ( $\text{K}_{\text{Ca}1.1}$ ), and blocks voltage-dependent  $\text{K}^{+}$ -channels, mainly  $\text{K}_{\text{v}1.1}$ ,  $\text{K}_{\text{v}1.2}$  and  $\text{K}_{\text{v}1.3}$ .

### Reagent

Supplied as a lyophilized powder of unbuffered protein.

### Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

### Preparation Instructions

Dissolve 1  $\mu\text{g}$  in 0.24 ml of any conventional buffer for a stock solution of 1 $\mu\text{M}$ .

### Storage/Stability

Lyophilized powder and reconstituted solution should be stored at  $-20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$  or below. Repeated freezing and thawing, or storage in "frost-free" freezers, is not recommended. If slight turbidity occurs upon prolonged storage, clarify the solution by centrifugation before use. Working dilution samples should be discarded if not used within 12 hours.

### Product Profile

Application of 250 nM Kaliotoxin-1, recombinant, causes reversible inhibition of  $\text{K}_{\text{v}1.3}$  channels expressed in *Xenopus* oocytes.

### References

1. Crest, M., et al., Kaliotoxin, a novel peptidyl inhibitor of neuronal BK-type  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ -activated  $\text{K}^{+}$ -channels characterized from *Androctonus mauretanicus mauretanicus* venom., *J. Biol. Chem.*, **267**, 1640-1647 (1992).
2. Romi, R., et al., Synthesis and characterization of kaliotoxin. Is the 26-32 sequence essential for potassium channel recognition? *J. Biol. Chem.*, **268**, 26302-26309 (1993).
3. Rodriguez de la Vega, R.C. and Possani, L.D., Current views on scorpion toxins specific for  $\text{K}^{+}$ -channels. *Toxicon*, **43**, 865-875 (2004).

MCT,PHC 10/05-1

Sigma brand products are sold through Sigma-Aldrich, Inc.

Sigma-Aldrich, Inc. warrants that its products conform to the information contained in this and other Sigma-Aldrich publications. Purchaser must determine the suitability of the product(s) for their particular use. Additional terms and conditions may apply. Please see reverse side of the invoice or packing slip.