

Reference Standards & Logistics Department

ORIGIN OF GOODS

Interferon alfa-2b CRS

The **European Pharmacopoeia** (being elaborated by the Council of Europe – European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines & HealthCare or EDQM) is a single reference work for the **quality control of medicines** in the signatory states of the Convention on its elaboration.

The official standards published within provide a legal and scientific basis for quality control during the development, production and marketing processes.

They concern the qualitative and quantitative tests and assays to be carried out on medicines and/or on the raw materials used in production of medicines. All producers of medicines and/or substances for pharmaceutical use must therefore apply these quality standards in order to market their products in the signatory states of the Convention.

To apply these tests and assays, users must use these official reference standards.

Code catalogue	Batch number	Material origin	Country of non-preferential origin for components
I0320301	7	Interferon alfa-2b is produced by a recombinant DNA technology (E.Coli) method using an insert containing the human interferon alpha-2b gene sequence	Ireland

**Information applies to batch number and sub-batches.*

- The material is produced by recombinant DNA technology and vector is not considered pathogenic for livestock or avian species;
- The organism does not contain genes or express antigens of livestock or poultry disease agents;
- The goods are in quantities of no greater than 20mL or 20g for each individually packaged unit;
- The preparation does not contain any animal derived additives, such as albumin.

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The goods transported shall be considered of "diplomatic origin" with special status and the Council of Europe EDQM shall be considered as manufacturer of these goods, although its components may originate from different countries in the world.

The Council of Europe cannot provide the Certificate EUR1 / movement certificate / certificate of origin. The special status of the transferred goods does not prevent the customs authority from granting the importer a release only after it has itself settled and paid the duties and taxes.

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