Interleukins

The suffix -kin is used in naming interleukin-type substances except for interleukin 3 (IL-3), which was classified as a pleiotropic colony-stimulating factor and assigned the "plestim" stem (e.g., daniplestim).

The "kin" nomenclature series was divided into subgroups with an adjuvant stem representing the numerical class of the interleukin followed by the kin suffix.

The subgroups are:

- nakin
  interleukin 1 derivatives

- onakin
  interleukin 1 a derivatives

- benakin
  interleukin 1 b derivatives

- leukin
  interleukin 2 derivatives

- trakin
  interleukin 4 derivatives

- penkin
  interleukin 5 derivatives

- exakin
  interleukin 6 derivatives

- eptakin
  interleukin 7 derivatives

- octakin
  interleukin 8 derivatives

- nonakin
interleukin 9 derivatives
-decakin
interleukin 10 derivatives
-elvekin
interleukin 11 derivatives
-dodekin
interleukin 12 derivatives