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# Viral Interleukin-6 Homolog

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Viral interleukin-6 homolog (204 aa, ~23 kDa) is encoded by the human herpesvirus 8 K2 gene. This protein is involved in the negative regulation of apoptosis and the positive regulation of both cell proliferation and cell differentiation.