

**DESCRIPTION**

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| <b>Source</b>                       | <i>E. coli</i> -derived mouse TNF-alpha protein<br>Leu80-Leu235, with an N-terminal Met<br>Accession # P06804                        |
| <b>N-terminal Sequence Analysis</b> | Met & Ser84  |
| <b>Structure / Form</b>             | A small amount of recombinant protein lacking the N-terminal methionine and four additional amino acid residues may be also present. |
| <b>Predicted Molecular Mass</b>     | 17 kDa   |

**SPECIFICATIONS**

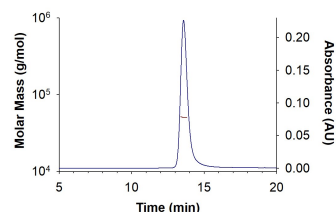
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| <b>Activity</b>        | Measured in a cytotoxicity assay using L-929 mouse fibroblast cells in the presence of the metabolic inhibitor actinomycin D. Matthews, N. and M.L. Neale (1987) in <i>Lymphokines and Interferons, A Practical Approach</i> . Clemens, M.J. <i>et al.</i> (eds): IRL Press. 221.<br>The ED <sub>50</sub> for this effect is 8-50 pg/mL. |
| <b>Endotoxin Level</b> | <0.01 EU per 1 µg of the protein by the LAL method.  |
| <b>Purity</b>          | >97%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.  |
| <b>Formulation</b>     | Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details.   |

**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

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| <b>Reconstitution</b>          | Reconstitute at 100 µg/mL in sterile PBS containing at least 0.1% human or bovine serum albumin.  |
| <b>Shipping</b>                | The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.   |
| <b>Stability &amp; Storage</b> | Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.</li> <li>• 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> <li>• 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul> |

**DATA**

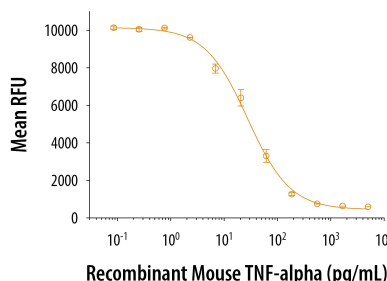
**SEC-MALS**



**Recombinant Mouse TNF-α aa 80-235 Protein SEC-MALS.**  
Recombinant Mouse TNF-α Protein (Catalog # 410-MT) has a molecular weight (MW) of 50.8 kDa as analyzed by SEC-MALS, suggesting that this protein is a homotrimer.

| SEC-MALS Data                 | Result      |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Retention Time                | 13.4 - 13.8 |
| MW - Predicted (Monomer)      | 17.0 kDa    |
| MW - MALS                     | 50.8 kDa    |
| Polydispersity                | 1.000       |
| System Suitability:           | Pass        |
| BSA Monomer (66.4 ± 3.32 kDa) |             |

**Bioactivity**



**Bioactivity of Mouse TNF-α**  
Recombinant mouse TNF-α (Catalog # 410-MT) induces cytotoxicity in the L-929 mouse fibroblast cell line in the presence of the metabolic inhibitor actinomycin D. The ED<sub>50</sub> for this effect is 8-50 pg/mL.

**BACKGROUND**

Tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF- $\alpha$ ), also known as cachectin and TNFSF2, is the prototypic ligand of the TNF superfamily. It is a pleiotropic molecule that plays a central role in inflammation, immune system development, apoptosis, and lipid metabolism (1, 2). Mouse TNF- $\alpha$  consists of a 35 amino acid (aa) cytoplasmic domain, a 21 aa transmembrane segment, and a 179 aa extracellular domain (ECD) (3). Within the ECD, mouse TNF- $\alpha$  shares 94% aa sequence identity with rat and 70%-77% with bovine, canine, cotton rat, equine, feline, human, porcine, rat, and rhesus TNF- $\alpha$ . TNF- $\alpha$  is produced by a wide variety of immune, epithelial, endothelial, and tumor cells (1, 2). TNF- $\alpha$  is assembled intracellularly to form a noncovalently linked homotrimer which is expressed on the cell surface (4). Cell surface TNF- $\alpha$  can induce the lysis of neighboring tumor cells and virus infected cells, and it can generate its own downstream cell signaling following ligation by soluble TNFR I (2, 5). Shedding of membrane bound TNF- $\alpha$  by TACE/ADAM17 releases the bioactive cytokine, a 55 kDa soluble trimer of the TNF- $\alpha$  extracellular domain (6-8). TNF- $\alpha$  binds the ubiquitous 55-60 kDa TNF RI (9, 10) and the hematopoietic cell-restricted 80 kDa TNF RII (11, 12), both of which are also expressed as homotrimers (1, 2, 13). Both type I and type II receptors bind TNF- $\alpha$  with comparable affinity (14), although only TNF RI contains a cytoplasmic death domain which triggers the activation of apoptosis. Soluble forms of both types of receptors are released and can neutralize the biological activity of TNF- $\alpha$  (15).

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