

**DESCRIPTION**

**Source** *E. coli*-derived  
Ile22-Thr211, with an N-terminal Met  
Accession # P19438.1

**N-terminal Sequence** Met  
**Analysis**

**Predicted Molecular Mass** 21 kDa

**SPECIFICATIONS**

**Activity** Measured by its ability to inhibit the TNF- $\alpha$  mediated cytotoxicity in the L-929 mouse fibroblast cells in the presence of the metabolic inhibitor actinomycin D. Matthews, N. and M.L. Neale (1987) in *Lymphokines and Interferons, A Practical Approach*. Clemens, M.J. *et al.* (eds): IRL Press. 221.  
The ED<sub>50</sub> for this effect, in the presence of 0.25 ng/mL of recombinant human TNF- $\alpha$ , is 0.045-0.09  $\mu$ g/mL.

**Endotoxin Level** <0.01 EU per 1  $\mu$ g of the protein by the LAL method.

**Purity** >97%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.

**Formulation** Lyophilized from a 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

**Reconstitution** Reconstitute at 100  $\mu$ g/mL in sterile PBS.

**Shipping** The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.

**Stability & Storage** Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

- 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.
- 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.
- 3 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

**BACKGROUND**

TNF receptor 1 (TNF RI; also called TNF R-p55/p60 and TNFRSF1A) is a 55 kDa type I transmembrane protein member of the TNF receptor superfamily, designated TNFRSF1A (1, 2). Human TNF RI is a 455 amino acid (aa) protein that contains a 21 aa signal sequence and 190 aa ECD with a PLAD (pre-ligand assembly domain) that mediates constitutive dimer/trimer formation, followed by four CRD (cysteine-rich domains), a 23 aa transmembrane domain, and a 221 aa cytoplasmic sequence that contains a neutral sphingomyelinase activation domain and a death domain (3, 4). The ECD of human TNF RI shows 70%, 69%, 80%, 80%, and 73% aa identity with mouse, rat, canine, feline and porcine TNF RI, respectively; and it shows 23% aa identity with the ECD of TNF RII. Both TNF RI and TNF RII (TNFRSF1B) are widely expressed and contain four TNF- $\alpha$  trimer-binding CRD in their ECD. However, TNF RI is thought to mediate most of the cellular effects of TNF- $\alpha$  (3). It is essential for proper development of lymph node germinal centers and Peyer's patches, and for combating intracellular pathogens such as *Listeria* (1, 2, 5). TNF RI is also a receptor for TNF- $\beta$ /TNFSF1B (lymphotoxin- $\alpha$ ) (6). TNF RI is stored in the Golgi and translocates to the cell surface following pro-inflammatory stimuli (7). TNF- $\alpha$  stabilizes TNF RI and induces its sequestering in lipid rafts, where it activates NF $\kappa$ B and is cleaved by ADAM-17/TACE (8, 9, 16). Release of the 28-34 kDa TNF RI ECD also occurs constitutively and in response to products of pathogens such as LPS, CpG DNA or *S. aureus* protein A (1, 10-12). Full-length TNF RI may also be released in exosome-like vesicles (13). Release helps to resolve inflammatory reactions, since it down-regulates cell surface TNF RI and provides soluble TNF RI to bind TNF- $\alpha$  (10, 14, 15). Exclusion from lipid rafts causes endocytosis of TNF RI complexes and induces apoptosis (1). Mutations of human TNF R1 can result in inflammatory episodes known as TRAPS (TNFR-associated periodic syndrome) (7).

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