

DESCRIPTION

Source Mouse myeloma cell line, NS0-derived
 Leu34-Leu202, with an N-terminal 7-His tag
 Accession # P09225

N-terminal Sequence Analysis His

Predicted Molecular Mass 19.5 kDa

SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE 25 kDa, reducing conditions

Activity 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 *Lymphokines and Interferons, A Practical Approach*. Clemens, M.J. *et al.* (eds): IRL Press. 221.
 The ED₅₀ for this effect is typically 0.125-0.5 µg/mL.

Endotoxin Level <0.10 EU per 1 µg of the protein by the LAL method.

Purity >95%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.

Formulation Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS, EDTA and DTT. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution Reconstitute at 100 µg/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

Tumor necrosis factor-beta (TNF- β), also known as lymphotoxin-alpha (LT- α), is a secreted homotrimeric glycoprotein belonging to the TNF superfamily and is designated TNFSF1B. It is produced by NK, T, and B cells. TNF- β was originally identified as protein that kills tumor cells in cell culture supernatants of a lymphoblastoid cell line. The TNF- β subunit also associates with the type II transmembrane TNF superfamily protein lymphotoxin beta (LT β) to generate two types of heterotrimers designated as LT α 1 β 2 (a single TNF- β chain non-covalently associated with two chains of LT β), and LT α 2 β 1 (1, 2). TNF- α , TNF- β , and LT β form a subfamily of the TNF related ligands. Their genes are genetically linked within a compact cluster inside the major histocompatibility complex locus (2, 3). The soluble TNF- β binds and signals through TNF R1 and TNF R2. In contrast, the membrane-bound LT α 1 β 2 interacts specifically with the LT β receptor (LT β R), which does not bind TNF- β or TNF- α . Both TNFR1 and TNFR2 bind LT α 2 β 1, which is recognized weakly by LT β R (4, 5). TNF R1 and 2 express very broadly, while expression of LT β R is restricted to stromal cells of lymphoid tissues. Herpesvirus entry mediator binds TNF- β in vitro (6). The physiological importance of such interaction, if it occurs *in vivo*, is unclear. Distinct functions attributed to TNF- β from transgenic knock-out mice include, loss of lymph node development, change in splenic architecture, impaired germinal center formation, and susceptibility to pulmonary tuberculosis (7, 8). TNF- β also has overlapping physiological functions with LT β and TNF- α in lymphoid organogenesis (7). Mouse and human TNF- β share approximately 74% homology in their amino acid sequence.

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