

## DESCRIPTION

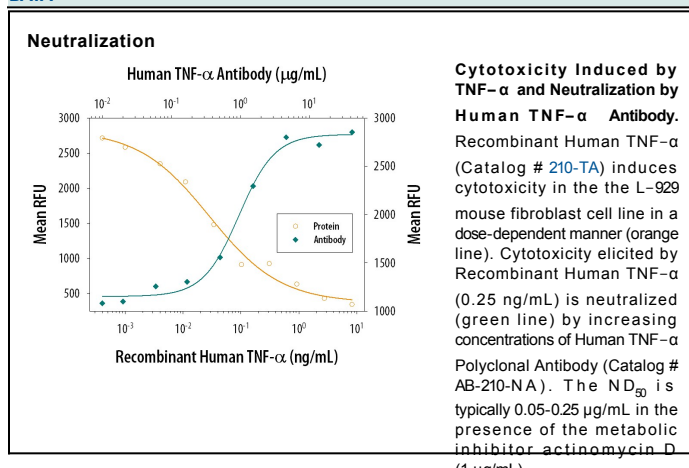
<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Human
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects human TNF- $\alpha$ in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs, less than 5% cross-reactivity with recombinant canine TNF- $\alpha$ , recombinant bovine TNF- $\alpha$ , recombinant rat TNF- $\alpha$ , recombinant equine TNF- $\alpha$ , and recombinant cotton rat TNF- $\alpha$ is observed.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Protein A or G purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	<i>E. coli</i> -derived recombinant human TNF- $\alpha$ Val177-Leu233 Accession # P01375
<b>Endotoxin Level</b>	<0.10 EU per 1 $\mu$ g of the antibody by the LAL method.
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

## APPLICATIONS

**Please Note:** Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. [General Protocols](#) are available in the Technical Information section on our website.

	Recommended Concentration	Sample
<b>Western Blot</b>	1 $\mu$ g/mL	Recombinant Human TNF- $\alpha$ (Catalog # <a href="#">210-TA</a> )
<b>Neutralization</b>	Measured by its ability to neutralize TNF- $\alpha$ -induced cytotoxicity in the L-929 mouse fibroblast cell line [Matthews, N. and M.L. Neale (1987) in Lymphokines and Interferons, A Practical Approach. Clemens, M.J. <i>et al.</i> (eds): IRL Press. 221]. The Neutralization Dose (ND <sub>50</sub> ) is typically 0.05-0.25 $\mu$ g/mL in the presence of 0.25 ng/mL Recombinant Human TNF- $\alpha$ and 1 $\mu$ g/mL actinomycin D.	

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## PREPARATION AND STORAGE

<b>Reconstitution</b>	Reconstitute at 1 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
<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>	<b>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b> <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>6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul>

## BACKGROUND

Tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF- $\alpha$ ), also known as cachectin and TNFSF1A, is the prototypic ligand of the TNF superfamily. It is a pleiotropic molecule that plays a central role in inflammation, apoptosis, and immune system development. TNF- $\alpha$  is produced by a wide variety of immune and epithelial cell types (1, 2). Human TNF- $\alpha$  consists of a 35 amino acid (aa) cytoplasmic domain, a 21 aa transmembrane segment, and a 177 aa extracellular domain (ECD) (3). Within the ECD, human TNF- $\alpha$  shares 97% aa sequence identity with rhesus and 71% - 92% with bovine, canine, cotton rat, equine, feline, mouse, porcine, and rat TNF- $\alpha$ . The 26 kDa type 2 transmembrane protein is assembled intracellularly to form a noncovalently linked homotrimer (4). Ligation of this complex induces reverse signaling that promotes lymphocyte costimulation but diminishes monocyte responsiveness (5). Cleavage of membrane bound TNF- $\alpha$  by TACE/ADAM17 releases a 55 kDa soluble trimeric form of TNF- $\alpha$  (6, 7). TNF- $\alpha$  trimers bind the ubiquitous TNF RI and the hematopoietic cell-restricted TNF RII, both of which are also expressed as homotrimers (1, 8). TNF- $\alpha$  regulates lymphoid tissue development through control of apoptosis (2). It also promotes inflammatory responses by inducing the activation of vascular endothelial cells and macrophages (2). TNF- $\alpha$  is a key cytokine in the development of several inflammatory disorders (9). It contributes to the development of type 2 diabetes through its effects on insulin resistance and fatty acid metabolism (10, 11).

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