



ORDERING INFORMATION

Catalog Number: AF1011

Lot Number: GAU01

Size: 100 µg

Formulation: 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS

Storage: -20° C

Reconstitution: sterile PBS

Specificity: cotton rat TNF-α

Immunogen: *E. coli*-derived rcrTNF-α

Ig Type: goat IgG

Applications: Neutralization of bioactivity
Western blot
ELISA

Anti-cotton rat TNF-α/TNFSF1A Antibody

Preparation

Produced in goats immunized with purified, *E. coli*-derived, recombinant cotton rat tumor necrosis factor alpha (rcrTNF-α). Cotton rat TNF-α specific IgG was purified by cotton rat TNF-α affinity chromatography.

Formulation

Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS).

Endotoxin Level

< 0.1 EU per 1 µg of the antibody as determined by the LAL method.

Reconstitution

Reconstitute with sterile PBS. If 1 mL of PBS is used, the antibody concentration will be 0.1 mg/mL.

Storage

Lyophilized samples are stable for twelve months from date of receipt when stored at -20° C to -70° C. Upon reconstitution, the antibody can be stored at 2° - 8° C for 1 month without detectable loss of activity. Reconstituted antibody can also be aliquotted and stored frozen at -20° C to -70° C in a manual defrost freezer for six months without detectable loss of activity. **Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.**

Specificity

This antibody has been selected for its ability to neutralize rcrTNF-α bioactivity.

Neutralization of Cotton Rat TNF-α Bioactivity

The exact concentration of antibody required to neutralize rcrTNF-α activity is dependent on the cytokine concentration, cell type, growth conditions and the type of activity studied. To provide a guideline, R&D Systems has determined the neutralization dose for this antibody under a specific set of conditions. The **Neutralization Dose₅₀ (ND₅₀)** for this antibody is defined as that concentration of antibody required to yield one-half maximal inhibition of the cytokine activity on a responsive cell line, when that cytokine is present at a concentration just high enough to elicit a maximum response.

As shown in figures 1 and 2 on the next page, the ND₅₀ for this lot of anti-cotton rat TNF-α antibody was determined to be approximately 0.01 - 0.05 µg/mL in the presence of 1 ng/mL of rcrTNF-α, using the mouse L-929 cell line. The specific conditions are described in the figure legends.

Additional Applications

Direct ELISA - This antibody can be used at 0.5 - 1.0 µg/mL with the appropriate secondary reagents to detect cotton rat TNF-α. The detection limit for rcrTNF-α is approximately 0.2 ng/well. In this format, this antibody shows greater than 50% cross-reactivity with rmTNF-α, approximately 30% cross-reactivity with rrTNF-α, 20% cross-reactivity with rhTNF-α and 5% cross-reactivity with rpTNF-α.

Western blot - This antibody can be used at 0.1 - 0.2 µg/mL with the appropriate secondary reagents to detect cotton rat TNF-α. The detection limit for rcrTNF-α is approximately 2 ng/lane under non-reducing and reducing conditions.

Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application.

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Figure 1

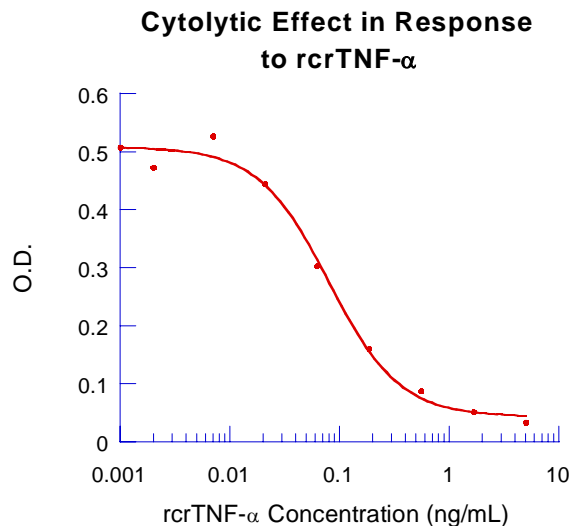


Figure 2

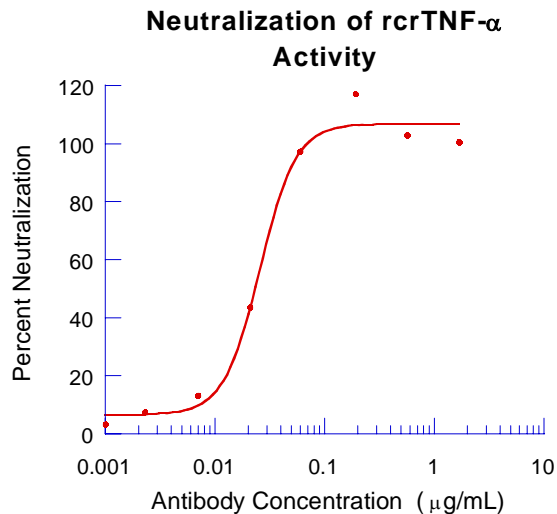


Figure 1

The biological activity of rcrTNF- α was measured by its cytolytic effect on murine L-929 cells in the presence of actinomycin D (Matthews, N. *et al.*, 1987, in *Lymphokines and Interferons, a practical approach*, M.J. Clemens, A.G. Morris and A.J.H. Gearing, eds., IRL Press, p. 221). The ED₅₀ for this effect is typically 0.03 - 0.12 ng/mL.

Figure 2

To measure the ability of the antibody to neutralize the bioactivity of rcrTNF- α on murine L-929 cells, rcrTNF- α was incubated with various concentrations of antibody for 1 hour at 37° C. Following this preincubation period, the assay mixture was added to a confluent culture of murine L-929 cells in a 96 well microtiter plate. The assay mixture in a total volume of 150 μ L, containing antibody at the concentrations indicated, rcrTNF- α at 1 ng/mL and actinomycin D at 1 μ g/mL, was incubated for 24 hours at 37° C in a 5% CO₂ humidified incubator. Following this incubation, the cells were fixed with 5% formaldehyde and stained with crystal violet. The stain was dissolved in 100 μ L of 33% acetic acid and the absorbance at 540 nm (ref. 690 nm) was read on a microtiter plate reader. The ND₅₀ of the antibody is approximately 0.01 - 0.05 μ g/mL.