



# Anti-equine TNF- $\alpha$ /TNFSF1A Antibody

## ORDERING INFORMATION

**Catalog Number:** AF1814

**Lot Number:** UCO01

**Size:** 100  $\mu$ g

**Formulation:** 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS with 5% trehalose

**Storage:** -20° C

**Reconstitution:** sterile PBS

**Specificity:** equine TNF- $\alpha$

**Immunogen:** *E. coli*-derived reqTNF- $\alpha$

**Ig Type:** goat IgG

**Applications:** Neutralization of bioactivity  
Western blot  
ELISA  
Immunocytochemistry

## Preparation

Produced in goats immunized with purified, *E. coli*-derived, recombinant equine Tumor Necrosis Factor alpha (reqTNF- $\alpha$ ). Equine TNF- $\alpha$  specific IgG was purified by equine TNF- $\alpha$  affinity chromatography.

## Formulation

Lyophilized from a 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered solution in phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) with 5% trehalose.

## Endotoxin Level

< 0.1 EU per 1  $\mu$ g 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 equine TNF- $\alpha$  bioactivity.

## Neutralization of Equine TNF- $\alpha$ Bioactivity

The exact concentration of antibody required to neutralize equine TNF- $\alpha$  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 Dose<sub>50</sub> (ND<sub>50</sub>)** 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.

The ND<sub>50</sub> for this lot of anti-equine TNF- $\alpha$  antibody was determined to be approximately 0.01 - 0.03  $\mu$ g/mL in the presence of 1.0 ng/mL of reqTNF- $\alpha$ , using the mouse L929 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  $\mu$ g/mL with the appropriate secondary reagents to detect equine and human TNF- $\alpha$ . The detection limit for reqTNF- $\alpha$  and rhTNF- $\alpha$  is approximately 1.5 ng/well.

**Western blot** - This antibody can be used at 0.1 - 0.2  $\mu$ g/mL with the appropriate secondary reagents to detect equine and human TNF- $\alpha$ . The detection limit for reqTNF- $\alpha$  and rhTNF- $\alpha$  is approximately 1 ng/lane under non-reducing and reducing conditions. In this format, this antibody shows approximately 35% cross-reactivity with rmTNF- $\alpha$  and rrTNF- $\alpha$ .

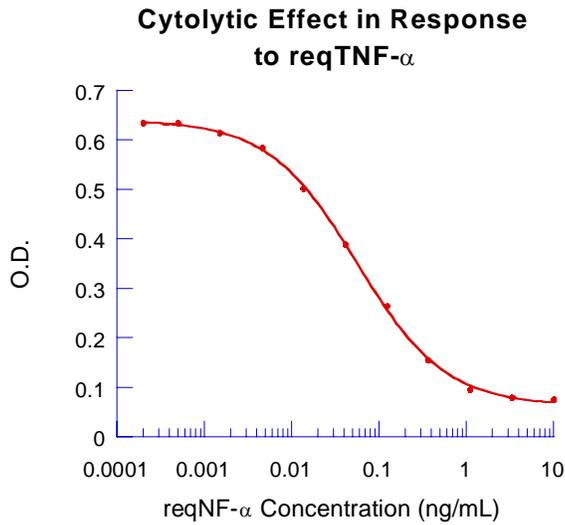
**Immunocytochemistry** - This antibody will detect TNF- $\alpha$  in cells. The working dilution is 5 - 15  $\mu$ g/mL. For chromogenic detection of labeling, use R&D Systems' Cell and Tissue Staining Kits (CTS Series).

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

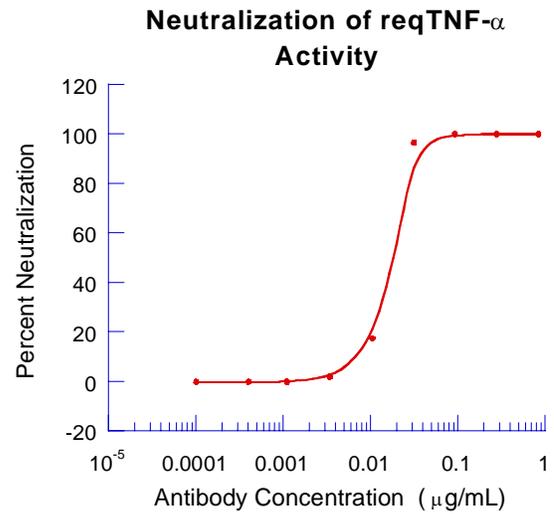
FOR RESEARCH USE ONLY. NOT FOR USE IN HUMANS.

**R&D Systems, Inc.**  
**1-800-343-7475**

**Figure 1**



**Figure 2**



**Figure 1**

The biological activity of reqTNF- $\alpha$  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 ED<sub>50</sub> for this effect is typically 0.025 - 0.1 ng/mL.

**Figure 2**

To measure the ability of the antibody to neutralize the bioactivity of reqTNF- $\alpha$  on murine L-929 cells, reqTNF- $\alpha$  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  $\mu$ L, containing antibody at the concentrations indicated, reqTNF- $\alpha$  at 1 ng/mL and actinomycin D at 1  $\mu$ g/mL, was incubated for 24 hours at 37° C in a 5% CO<sub>2</sub> humidified incubator. Following this incubation, the cells were fixed with 5% formaldehyde and stained with crystal violet. The stain was dissolved in 100  $\mu$ L of 33% acetic acid and the absorbance at 540 nm (ref. 690 nm) was read on a microtiter plate reader. The ND<sub>50</sub> of the antibody is approximately 0.01 - 0.03  $\mu$ g/mL.