



## Genorise<sup>®</sup> Recombinant Ovine TNF- $\alpha$

Catalog Number: GR104165

### Background

TNF- $\alpha$ , the prototypical member of the TNF protein superfamily, is a homotrimeric type-II membrane protein (1, 2). Membrane bound TNF- $\alpha$  is cleaved by the metalloprotease TACE/ADAM17 to generate a soluble homotrimer (2). Both membrane and soluble forms of TNF- $\alpha$  are biologically active. TNF- $\alpha$  is produced primarily by macrophages, but it is produced also by a broad variety of cell types including lymphoid cells, mast cells, endothelial cells, cardiac myocytes, adipose tissue, fibroblasts, and neuronal tissue (1). Cellular response to TNF- $\alpha$  is mediated through interaction with receptors TNF-R1 and TNF-R2 and results in activation of pathways that favor both cell survival and apoptosis depending on the cell type and biological context. Activation of kinase pathways (including JNK, ERK (p44/42), p38 MAPK and NF- $\kappa$ B) promotes the survival of cells, while TNF- $\alpha$  mediated activation of caspase-8 leads to programmed cell death (1,2). TNF- $\alpha$  plays a key regulatory role in inflammation and host defense against bacterial infection, notably *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (3). TNF- $\alpha$  causes many of the clinical problems associated with autoimmune disorders such as rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, inflammatory bowel disease, psoriasis, hidradenitis suppurativa and refractory asthma. The role of TNF- $\alpha$  in autoimmunity is underscored by blocking TNF- $\alpha$  action to treat rheumatoid arthritis and Crohn's disease (1, 2, 4).

### References

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### Description

Accession #: NP\_001020031.1

Sources: expressed in *E. coli*.

Composition: Leu78-Lys234

Molecular weight: 17 kDa

Activity: Measured in a cytotoxicity assay using L929 mouse fibrosarcoma 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 0.025-0.1 ng/mL.

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

Purity: > 98%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver staining.

Formulation: Formulated from 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered PBS containing 0.1% BSA.

Reconstitution: Reconstitute at 100  $\mu$ g/ml in sterile PBS and 0.05% azide and store at -20°C ~ -70°C for up to 3 months.

Shipping and storage: The product is shipped at 4°C with ice pad or ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20°C to avoid loss of activity and use it in 6 months.

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