



## User Manual

**Tumor Necrosis Factor-alpha (TNF- $\alpha$ ) (Human)**

**Cat. No. HETNP-01013**

**Description:**

Tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF- $\alpha$ ), also called cachectin, is produced by neutrophils, activated lymphocytes, macrophages, NK cells, LAK cells, astrocytes endothelial cells, smooth muscle cells and some transformed cells. TNF- $\alpha$  occurs as a secreted, soluble form and as a membrane-anchored form, both of which are biologically active. The naturally-occurring form of TNF- $\alpha$  is glycosylated, but non-glycosylated recombinant TNF- $\alpha$  has comparable biological activity. The biologically active native form of TNF- $\alpha$  is reportedly a trimer. Human and murine TNF- $\alpha$  show approximately 79% homology at the amino acid level and crossreactivity between the two species. Two types of receptors for TNF- $\alpha$  have been described and virtually all cell types studied show the presence of one or both of these receptor types.

**Source:**

*Escherichia coli*

**Unit:**

1 mg

**Reconstitution:**

We recommend that this vial be briefly centrifuged prior to opening to bring the contents to the bottom. Reconstitute in sterile distilled water or aqueous buffer containing 0.1% BSA to a concentration of 0.1-1.0 mg/mL. Stock solutions should be apportioned into working aliquots and stored at  $< -20^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Further dilutions should be made in appropriate buffered solutions.

**Formulation:**

Lyophilized from a 0.2  $\mu\text{m}$  filtered concentrated solution in 20 mM PB, 10 mM NaCl, pH 7.0.

**Storage:**

This lyophilized preparation is stable at 2-8 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ , but should be kept at -20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  for long term storage, preferably desiccated. Upon reconstitution, the preparation is stable for up to one week at 2-8 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ . For maximal stability, apportion the reconstituted preparation into working

aliquots and store at -20°C to -70°C. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.

### **Molecular Weight:**

Approximately 17.5 kDa, a single non-glycosylated polypeptide chain containing 158 amino acids.

### **Endotoxin:**

Less than 1 EU/μg of TNF-α as determined by LAL method.

### **Usage:**

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### **Biological Activity:**

The ED50 determined by a cytotoxicity assay using murine L929 cells is less than 0.05 ng/mL, corresponding to a specific activity of  $> 2.0 \times 10^7$  IU/mg in the presence of actinomycin D.

### **Physical Appearance:**

Sterile filtered white lyophilized (freeze-dried) powder.

### **AA Sequence:**

MVRSSSRTPS DKPVAHVVAN PQAEGQLQWL NRRANALLAN GVELRDNQLV  
VPSEGLYLIY SQVLFGQGC PSTHVLLTHT ISRIAVSYQ TKVNLLSAIK SPCQRETPEG  
AEAKPWYEPI YLGGVFQLEK GDRLSAEINR PDYLDFAESG QVYFGIIL

### **Purity:**

> 98% by SDS-PAGE and HPLC analyses.

Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) are available upon request.

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