

Product Information

Anti-Transforming Growth Factor- β 1

produced in chicken, affinity isolated antibody

Catalog Number **T0688**

Synonym: Anti-TGF- β 1

Product Description

Anti-Transforming Growth Factor- β 1 is produced in chicken using recombinant human TGF- β 1 expressed in CHO cells as immunogen. The antibody is purified using human TGF- β 1 affinity chromatography.

Anti-Transforming Growth Factor- β 1 will recognize recombinant human TGF- β 1 and pTGF- β 1.2 by various immunochemical techniques including neutralization and immunoblotting.

Transforming Growth Factor- β 1 is a multifunctional peptide capable of influencing cell proliferation, differentiation, and other functions in a wide range of cell types. Transformed, as well as non-neoplastic, tissues release transforming growth factors; and essentially all cells possess a specific TGF-1 receptor.¹ The multi-modal nature of TGF- β 1 is seen in its ability to stimulate or inhibit cellular proliferation. In general, cells of mesenchymal origin appear to be stimulated by TGF- β 1 whereas hepatocytes, T and B lymphocytes, keratinocytes and many epithelial cells are inhibited by the peptide.^{2, 3, 4, 5, 6}

TGF- β 1 interacts with Epidermal Growth Factor (EGF), Platelet Derived Growth Factor (PDGF), Fibroblast Growth Factor (FGF), and Interleukin-2 (IL-2) either by enhancing or antagonizing their characteristic actions.¹ TGF- β 1 plays a fundamental role in tissue growth and differentiation by involvement in adipogenesis, myogenesis, chondrogenesis, osteogenesis, epithelial cell differentiation and immune cell function.⁷

Reagents

Supplied as a lyophilized powder from a 0.2 μ m filtered solution of phosphate buffered saline (PBS) with 5% trehalose.

Preparation Instructions

To one vial of lyophilized powder, add 0.5 mL of 0.2 μ m-filtered PBS to produce a 0.2 mg/mL stock solution of Anti-TGF- β 1.

Storage/Stability

Prior to reconstitution, store at -20°C . Reconstituted product may be stored at $2-8^{\circ}\text{C}$ for up to one month. For prolonged storage, freeze in working aliquots at -20°C . Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

Product Profile

Neutralization: Anti-TGF- β 1 neutralizes the bioactivity of recombinant human TGF- β 1 by inhibiting cell proliferation using the IL-4 dependent murine HT-2 cell line.⁸ In this bioassay, recombinant human TGF- β 1 (0.25 ng/mL) is preincubated with various concentrations of the antibody (0.1 to 1000 ng/mL) for 1 hour at room temperature in a 96-well microtiter plate. Following this pre-incubation, HT-2 cells are added to each well. The total volume of 100 μ L, containing antibody at various concentrations, recombinant mouse IL-4 at 7.5 ng/mL, recombinant human TGF- β 1 at 1 ng/mL, and HT-2 cells at 1×10^5 cells/mL, is incubated for 48 hours at 37°C in a 5% CO_2 humidified incubator. ^3H -thymidine is added during the final four hours. Cells are harvested onto glass filters and the ^3H -thymidine incorporated into DNA is measured.

The Neutralization Dose₅₀ (ND₅₀) is typically 5-30 ng/mL.

The ND₅₀ of this antibody is defined as the concentration of antibody resulting in a one-half maximal inhibition of bioactivity of recombinant human TGF- β 1 that is present at a concentration just high enough to elicit a maximum response.

The exact concentration of antibody required to neutralize recombinant human TGF- β 1 activity is dependent on the cytokine concentration, cell type, growth conditions, and the type of activity studied.

Immunoblotting: a working antibody concentration of 0.1-0.2 µg/mL antibody is recommended. The detection limit for recombinant human TGF-β1 is ~5 ng/lane under non-reducing and reducing conditions.

Note: In order to obtain best results in different techniques and preparations we recommend determining optimal working dilutions by titration test.

Endotoxin level is < 0.1 EU/µg antibody as determined by the LAL (Limulus amebocyte lysate) method.

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