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TUMOR NECROSIS FACTOR ALPHA CONVERTASE

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CONVERTASE DU FACTEUR ALPHA DE NECROSE TUMORALE

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[origin: WO9735538A2] The present invention relates to tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF alpha), and more specifically to the enzyme TNF alpha -convertase (TNF alpha -con) that can proteolytically convert TNF alpha precursor to mature TNF alpha . The present invention provides DNA sequences encoding mammalian TNF alpha -con and functional equivalents thereof, recombinant expression vectors comprising said DNA sequences, host cell lines comprising said expression vectors, inhibitors of TNF alpha -con, inhibitors modified for use as ligands for affinity purification of TNF alpha -con, and methods for treating diseases or conditions resulting from abnormal levels of TNF alpha in a mammalian subject.

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