

## Polyclonal Anti-*Mycobacterium leprae* MLCwA-LAM (antiserum, Rabbit)

### Catalog No. NR-19359

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#### Contributor and Manufacturer:

NIH – Leprosy Research Support Contract

#### Product Description:

Antibody Designation: anti-MLCwA-LAM

Polyclonal antiserum to soluble cell wall protein minus lipoarabinomannan (MLCwA-LAM) of *Mycobacterium leprae* was produced in rabbits. The LAM was removed from the soluble cell wall protein fraction by TX-114 extraction. The antiserum is reported to be active in ELISA and Western Blot assays.

#### Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 250 µL of lyophilized NR-19359 provided as serum.

Note: NR-19359 can be reconstituted in sterile distilled water.

#### Packaging/Storage:

NR-19359 was packaged aseptically in cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -80°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

#### Citation:

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#### Biosafety Level: 1

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