

TABLE 2  
*Tissue cysteine levels during the mouse life span*

Results are expressed as the mean  $\pm$  SE.

Age	Number of Mice	Cysteine				
		Blood	Liver	Heart	Lung	Spleen
<i>months</i>		<i>nmol/ml</i>			<i>nmol/g</i>	
3	4	33.6 $\pm$ 6.0	196 $\pm$ 16	79.8 $\pm$ 1.0	196 $\pm$ 23	267 $\pm$ 13
6	8	30.3 $\pm$ 4.9	175 $\pm$ 17	86.0 $\pm$ 1.9	187 $\pm$ 26	229 $\pm$ 10
12	5	38.6 $\pm$ 5.1	250 $\pm$ 87	92.0 $\pm$ 2.3	205 $\pm$ 22	213 $\pm$ 11
26	7	33.7 $\pm$ 3.5	221 $\pm$ 64	78.0 $\pm$ 6.6	243 $\pm$ 12	244 $\pm$ 11
31	4	30.0 $\pm$ 7.8	204 $\pm$ 19	82.7 $\pm$ 15.7	239 $\pm$ 15	242 $\pm$ 6