

Human IL-13 Alexa Fluor® 532-conjugated Antibody

Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Goat IgG Catalog Number: AF-213-NAX

100 µg

DESCRIPTION		
Species Reactivity	Human	
Specificity	Detects human IL-13 in direct ELISAs and Western blots.	
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG	
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified	
Immunogen	E. coli-derived recombinant human IL-13 Gly21-Asn132 Accession # AAK53823	
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 532 Excitation Wavelength: 534 nm Emission Wavelength: 553 nm	
Formulation	Supplied 0.2mg/ml in 1X PBS with RDF1 and 0.09% Sodium Azide	
	*Contains <0.1% Sodium Azide, which is not hazardous at this concentration according to GHS classifications. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for additional information and handling instructions.	

APPLICATIONS			
Please Note: Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. General Protocols are available in the Technical Information section on our website.			
CyTOF-ready	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.		
Neutralization	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.		
Western Blot	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.		
Intracellular Staining by Flow Cytometry	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.		

PREPARATION AND STORAGE		
Shipping	The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.	
Stability & Storage	Protect from light. Do not freeze. 12 months from date of receipt, 2 to 8 °C as supplied	

BACKGROUND

IL-13 is a 17 kDa immunoregulatory cytokine that plays a key role in the pathogenesis of allergic asthma and atopy. It is secreted by Th1 and Th2 CD4⁺ T cells, NK cells, visceral smooth muscle cells, eosinophils, mast cells, and basophils (1-3). IL-13 circulates as a monomer with two internal disulfide bonds that contribute to a bundled four α-helix configuration (4, 5). Mature human IL-13 shares 57%, 59%, and 94% amino acid sequence identity with mouse, rat, and rhesus macaque IL-13, respectively. Despite the low homology, it exhibits cross-species activity between human, mouse, and rat (6, 7). IL-13 has diverse activities on numerous cell types (8). On macrophages, IL-13 suppresses the production of pro-inflammatory cytokines and other cytotoxic substances. On B cells, IL-13 induces immunoglobulin class switching to IgE, upregulates the expression of MHC class II, CD71, CD72, and CD23, and costimulates proliferation. IL-13 upregulates IL-6 while downregulating IL-1 and TNF-α production by fibroblasts and endothelial cells. IL-13 binds with low affinity to IL-13 Rα1 association with IL-4 Rα. This high affinity receptor complex also functions as the type 2 IL-4 receptor complex (9, 10). Additionally, IL-13 binds with high affinity to IL-13 Rα2 which is expressed intracellularly, on the cell surface, and as a soluble molecule (11-14). IL-13 Rα2 regulates the bioavailability of both IL-13 and IL-4 and is over-expressed in glioma and several bronchial pathologies (10, 15, 16). Compared to wild type IL-13, the atopy-associated R110Q variant of IL-13 elicits increased responsiveness from eosinophils that express low levels of IL-13 Rα2 (17).

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