

## Human β-NGF Alexa Fluor® 750-conjugated Antibody

Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Goat IgG Catalog Number: AF-256-NAS

100 µg

DESCRIPTION	
Species Reactivity	Human
Specificity	Detects human β-NGF in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs, greater than 50% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse β-NGF and recombinant rat β-NGF is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human β-NGF Ser122-Ala241 Accession # CAA36832
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 750 Excitation Wavelength: 749 nm Emission Wavelength: 775 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.			
Neutralization	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.		
Western Blot	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.		
Immunohistochemistry	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

NGF was initially isolated in the mouse submandibular gland as a 7S complex composed of three non-covalently linked subunits,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$ . Both the  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  subunits of NGF are members of the kallikrein family of serine proteases while the  $\beta$  subunit, called  $\beta$ -NGF or 2.5S NGF, exhibits all the biological activities ascribed to NGF. Recombinant human  $\beta$ -NGF is a homodimer of two 120 amino acid polypeptides. The human protein shares approximately 90% homology at the amino acid level with both the mouse and rat  $\beta$ -NGF and exhibits cross-species activity.

NGF is a well-characterized neurotropic protein that plays a critical role in the development of sympathetic and some sensory neurons in the peripheral nervous system. In addition, NGF can also act in the central nervous system as a trophic factor for basal forebrain cholinergic neurons. NGF has also been shown to have biological effects on non-neuronal tissues. NGF is mitogenic for a factor-dependent human erythroleukemic cell line, TF-1. NGF has been found to increase the number of mast cells in neonatal rats and to induce histamine release from peritoneal mast cells. NGF will enhance histamine release and strongly modulate the formation of lipid mediators by basophils in response to various stimuli. NGF will also induce the growth and differentiation of human B lymphocytes as well as suppress apoptosis of murine peritoneal neutrophils. These results, taken together, suggest that NGF is a pleiotropic cytokine which, in addition to its neurotropic activities, may have an important role in the regulation of the immune system.

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