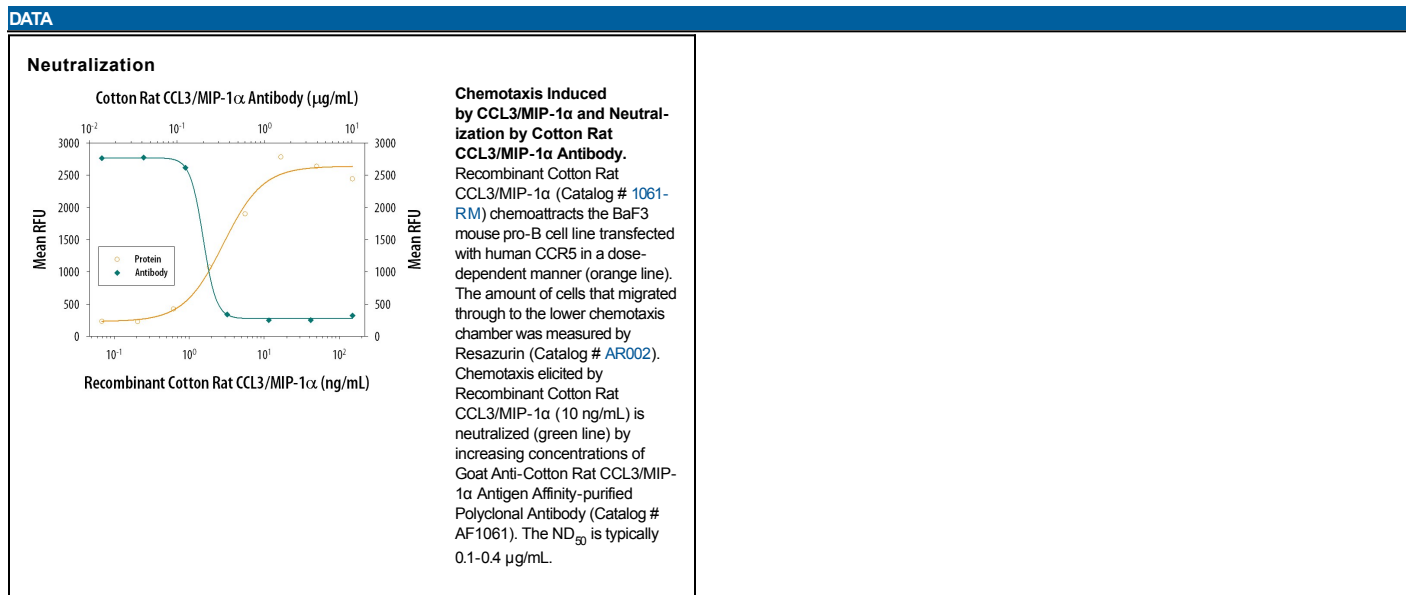


DESCRIPTION	
Species Reactivity	Cotton Rat
Specificity	Detects cotton rat CCL3/MIP-1 α in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs, approximately 50% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse MIP-1 α is observed, 15% cross-reactivity with recombinant human (rh) MIP-1 α is observed, less than 10% cross-reactivity with rhMIP-1 β , rh6Ckine, and rhHCC-4 is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	<i>E. coli</i> -derived recombinant cotton rat CCL3/MIP-1 α Ala24-Ala92 Accession # AAL26704
Endotoxin Level	<0.10 EU per 1 μ g of the antibody by the LAL method.
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.2 μ m filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied as a 0.2 μ m filtered solution in PBS.

APPLICATIONS		
Please Note: Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. <i>General Protocols</i> are available in the <i>Technical Information</i> section on our website.		
	Recommended Concentration	Sample
Western Blot	0.1 μ g/mL	Recombinant Cotton Rat CCL3/MIP-1 α (Catalog # 1061-RM)
Neutralization	Measured by its ability to neutralize CCL3/MIP-1 α -induced chemotaxis in the BaF3 mouse pro-B cell line transfected with human CCR5. The Neutralization Dose (ND ₅₀) is typically 0.1-0.4 μ g/mL in the presence of 10 ng/mL Recombinant Cotton Rat CCL3/MIP-1 α .	



PREPARATION AND STORAGE	
Reconstitution	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
Shipping	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below. *Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C
Stability & Storage	Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied. • 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution. • 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

BACKGROUND

MIP-1 α is a β family (CC) chemokine and has been designated CCL3. MIP-1 α and MIP-1 β , two closely related but distinct proteins, were originally purified from medium conditioned by a LPS-stimulated murine macrophage cell line. Cotton rat MIP-1 α cDNA encodes a 92 amino acid (aa) residue precursor protein with a 23 aa putative signal peptide. Mature cotton rat MIP-1 α shares approximately 70% amino acid identity with human MIP-1 α . MIP-1 α is expressed in a wide variety of cells, including lymphocytes, fibroblasts, and epithelial cells, as well as monocytes/macrophages.

MIP-1 α has been shown to play an important role in the recruitment of mononuclear cells. Additionally, MIP-1 α has been reported to have chemoattractant and adhesive effects on lymphocytes, preferentially promoting the chemotaxis of Th1 cells. MIP-1 α has also been shown to attract B cells, eosinophils, and dendritic cells. In addition, MIP-1 α augments cytolytic activity of NK cells (1). MIP-1 α has been identified as a stem cell inhibitory factor that can inhibit the proliferation of hematopoietic stem cells *in vitro* as well as *in vivo*. It has been demonstrated that MIP-1 α can bind the chemokine receptors CCR1 and CCR5 (2).

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