

**DESCRIPTION**

<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Mouse/Rat
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects mouse TrkC in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs and Western blots, approximately 10% cross-reactivity with recombinant human (rh) TrkC is observed and less than 2% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse TrkB, recombinant rat TrkA, and rhTrkA is observed.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant mouse TrkC Cys32-Thr429 Accession # Q6VNS1
<b>Conjugate</b>	Alexa Fluor Plus 594 Excitation Wavelength: 590 nm Emission Wavelength: 618 nm
<b>Formulation</b>	Supplied 0.2 mg/mL in a saline solution containing BSA and 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.

<b>Western Blot</b>	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.
<b>Blockade of Receptor-ligand Interaction</b>	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.
<b>Immunohistochemistry</b>	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.

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**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

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

**BACKGROUND**

The neurotrophins, including NGF, BDNF, NT-3 and NT-4/5, constitute a group of structurally related, secreted proteins that play an important role in the development and function of the nervous system. The biological activities of the neurotrophins are mediated by binding to and activating two unrelated receptor types: the p75 neurotrophin receptor (p75NTR) and the Trk family of receptor tyrosine kinases (1, 2). p75NTR is a member of the tumor necrosis factor receptor superfamily (TNFRSF) and has been designated TNFRSF16. It binds all neurotrophins with low affinity to transduce cellular signaling pathways that synergize or antagonize those activated by the Trk receptors. Three Trk family proteins, TrkA, TrkB, and TrkC, exhibiting different ligand specificities, have been identified. TrkA binds NGF and NT-3, TrkB binds BDNF, NT-3 and NT-4/5, and TrkC only binds NT-3 (1-2). All Trk family proteins share a conserved, complex subdomain organization consisting of a signal peptide, two cysteine-rich domains, a cluster of three leucine-rich motifs, and two immunoglobulin-like domains in the extracellular region, as well as an intracellular region that contains the tyrosine kinase domain (3). Natural splice variants of the different Trks, lacking the first cysteine-rich domain, the first and second or all three of the leucine-rich motifs, or the tyrosine kinase domain, have been described (4). At the protein sequence level, Trks are highly conserved between species with the extracellular domains of human and mouse TrkC showing 94% amino acid sequence identity (5). The proteins also exhibit cross-species activity. The primary location of TrkC expression is in the nervous system and, specifically, in regions of the CNS. Low level TrkC expression has also been observed in a wide variety of tissues outside the nervous system (6).

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