

#### DESCRIPTION

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| <b>Species Reactivity</b>                                                                                                                                                                               | Human/Mouse/Rat                                                                                  |
| <b>Specificity</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      | Detects mouse TrkB in direct ELISAs. Detects human, mouse, and rat TrkB in Western blots.        |
| <b>Source</b>                                                                                                                                                                                           | Polyclonal Goat IgG                                                                              |
| <b>Purification</b>                                                                                                                                                                                     | Antigen Affinity-purified                                                                        |
| <b>Immunogen</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant mouse TrkB<br>Cys32-His429<br>Accession # P15209 |
| <b>Conjugate</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | Alexa Fluor 350<br>Excitation Wavelength: 346 nm<br>Emission Wavelength: 442 nm                  |
| <b>Formulation</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      | 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.

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| <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. |

#### PREPARATION AND STORAGE

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| <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 with 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, human and mouse TrkB show 94% amino acid sequence identity (5-6). The proteins also exhibit cross-species activity. The primary location of TrkB expression is in the central and peripheral nervous systems. Low level TrkB expression has also been observed in a wide variety of tissues outside the nervous system (6).

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