

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Rat
Specificity	Detects rat IL-12 in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs, approximately 50% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse IL-12 and less than 5% cross-reactivity with recombinant human IL-12 is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	<i>S. frugiperda</i> insect ovarian cell line Sf 21-derived recombinant rat IL-12 p40: Met23-Ser335; p35: Arg23-Ser215 Accession # p40: NP_072133; p35: Q9R103
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 488 Excitation Wavelength: 488 nm Emission Wavelength: 515-545 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.

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

Interleukin 12 (IL-12) is the founding member of the IL-12 family of heterodimeric cytokines, which have important immunological functions. IL-12 is composed of two disulfide-linked subunits of 35 kDa and 40 kDa, respectively. The 35 kDa subunit (p35) is an α -helical protein homologous to IL-6 and G-CSF. The 40 kDa subunit (p40) contains one fibronectin type III and one Ig C2-like domain, and has a high degree of structural homology to type I cytokine receptors. Whereas p35 subunit is unique to IL-12, the p40 subunit is also utilized in IL-23. Mature rat p35 is a 194 amino acids (aa) protein that is secreted as a heterodimer linked to p40. It contains three potential N-linked glycosylation sites and shares 86%, and 58% aa sequence identity with mouse and human p35, respectively. Mature rat p40 contains 313 aa and can exist in multiple forms, including monomer, homodimer, heterodimer linked to p19 (forming IL-23), and heterodimer linked to p35 (forming IL-12). Mature rat p40 shows 92% and 66% aa sequence identity to mouse and human p40, respectively. Cells known to produce IL-12 include macrophages, dendritic cells, monocytes, Langerhans cells, neutrophils, and keratinocytes. The activities of IL-12 are mediated by the receptor complex composed of two type I transmembrane proteins: a 100 kDa ligand-binding subunit (IL-12 R β 1) and a 130 kDa signal transducing subunit (IL-12 R β 2). IL-12 facilitates hematopoietic stem cell proliferation, induces NK cell proliferation, and potentiates the expansion and late activation of Th1 CD4⁺ T cells (1-4).

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