

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Mouse
Specificity	Detects mouse IL-7 Rα in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In Western blots, less than 1% cross-reactivity with recombinant human IL-7 Rα is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant mouse IL-7 Rα/CD127 Glu21-Asp239 Accession # Q9R0C1
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 350 Excitation Wavelength: 346 nm Emission Wavelength: 442 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.

CyTOF-ready	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.
Western Blot	Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.
Flow Cytometry	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 7 Receptor alpha (IL-7 Rα), also known as CD127, is a 75 kDa hematopoietin receptor superfamily member that plays an important role in lymphocyte differentiation, proliferation, and survival (1, 2). Mature mouse IL-7 Rα consists of a 219 amino acid (aa) extracellular domain (ECD) with one fibronectin type III domain and a WSxWS motif, a 25 aa transmembrane segment, and a 195 aa cytoplasmic domain (3). Within the ECD, mouse IL-7 Rα shares 67% and 79% aa sequence identity with human and rat IL-7 Rα, respectively. IL-7 Rα associates with the common γ chain (γ_c) to form the functional high affinity IL-7 receptor complex (4). The γ_c is also a subunit of the receptors for IL-2, -4, -9, -15, and -21. Human and mouse IL-7 show cross-species activity through the IL-7 receptor (3, 5). IL-7 Rα is expressed on double negative (CD4⁻CD8⁻) and CD4⁺ or CD8⁺ single positive T cells as well as on CD8⁺ memory T cells and their precursors (6, 7). It is expressed early in B cell development, prior to the appearance of surface IgM (6). In mouse, IL-7 activation of IL-7 Rα is critical for both T cell and B cell lineage development (8). In human it is required for T cell but not for B cell development (9). IL-7 induces the down regulation and shedding of cell surface IL-7 Rα (10). IL-7 Rα additionally associates with TSLP R to form the functional receptor for thymic stromal lymphopoietin (11, 12). TSLP indirectly regulates T cell development by modulating dendritic cell activation (2, 13). Knockout of TSLP R in mice provokes minor changes in B and T cell development compared to those seen with IL-7 Rα deletion (8, 14). The complexity of IL-7 Rα biology is suggested by the competition between IL-7 and TSLP for receptor binding and by the ability of IL-7 Rα to form functional complexes with SCF R and HGF R (11, 12, 15, 16).

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