

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Human
Specificity	Detects human LIF in direct ELISA
Source	Monoclonal Mouse IgG _{2B} Clone # 945842
Purification	Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant
Immunogen	Human embryonic kidney cell, HEK293-derived human LIF Met1-Phe202 Accession # P15018
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.

ELISA 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

LIF is a 36-67 kDa highly glycosylated polypeptide (1, 2) produced by a variety of cells including T cells (3), monocytes (4), fibroblasts (5), osteoblasts (6) and mast cells (7). Consistent with its many synonyms, LIF exhibits a broad spectrum of effects on both hematopoietic and nonhematopoietic cells. For example, LIF inhibits the differentiation of embryonic stem cells (8), up regulates the synthesis of acute phase proteins in hepatocytes (9), down regulates lipoprotein lipase activity in adipocytes (10), and preferentially induces a cholinergic phenotype in sympathetic neurons (11). The receptor for LIF (LIF R) has been isolated and found to be a 190 kDa type I transmembrane glycoprotein (12). Although this molecule binds LIF, the resultant LIF-LIF R complex is not sufficient to transduce an intracellular signal. This capability is provided by a 130 kDa signal transducing subunit (gp130) that is common to the functional receptors for IL-6, IL-11, CNTF, and Oncostatin M (13, 14). Since gp130 is a ubiquitously expressed membrane protein, the presence of LIF R (membrane-bound or soluble form) ultimately determines the cell's responsiveness to LIF. Cells known to express LIF R include osteoblasts (6), hepatocytes (15), macrophages (15), neurons (5), and megakaryocytes (16). Human and mouse LIF exhibit 78% sequence homology, and human LIF is biologically active on mouse cells.

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