

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Mouse
Specificity	Detects mouse IL-12/IL-23 p40 in direct ELISAs.
Source	Monoclonal Rabbit IgG Clone # 2329A
Purification	Protein A or G purified from cell culture supernatant
Immunogen	<i>S. frugiperda</i> , <i>Sf</i> 21-derived recombinant mouse IL-12/IL-23 p40 protein Met1-Ser135 Accession # P43432
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 350 Excitation Wavelength: 346 nm Emission Wavelength: 442 nm
Formulation	Supplied 0.2mg/ml in 1X PBS with RFD1 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:	<i>Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. General Protocols are available in the Technical Information section on our website.</i>
Neutralization	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, also known as natural killer cell stimulatory factor (NKSF) or cytotoxic lymphocyte maturation factor (CLMF), is a pleiotropic cytokine originally identified in the medium of activated human B lymphoblastoid cell lines. IL-12 has multiple effects on T cells and NK cells and is a key mediator in the development of Th1 cells.

IL-12 is a heterodimeric cytokine containing two disulfide-linked subunits, p35 and p40. Human and mouse IL-12 share 70% and 60% amino acid sequence identity in their p40 and p35 subunits, respectively. Although mouse IL-12 is active on human or mouse IL-12 responsive cells, human IL-12 is not active on mouse cells.

The disulfide-linked mouse p40 homodimer can bind to IL-12 receptors and is an antagonist of IL-12 activities *in vitro*. The mouse p40 monomer is at least ten times less active than the homodimer as an IL-12 antagonist. At the present time, the existence and the physiological role of mouse p40 homodimer *in vivo* remains to be determined.

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