

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Mouse
Specificity	Detects mouse IFN-β in direct ELISAs.
Source	Monoclonal Rat IgG _{2B} Clone # 944233
Purification	Protein A or G purified from cell culture supernatant
Immunogen	Human embryonic kidney cell HEK293-derived Mouse IFN-β Ile22-Asn182 Accession # P01575
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

Interferon beta (IFN-β), also known as fibroblast IFN, is a secreted, approximately 22 kDa member of the type I interferon family of molecules (1). Mature mouse IFN-β shares 75% and 47% amino acid sequence identity with the rat and human proteins, respectively. Fibroblasts are the major producers of IFN-β, but it can also be produced by dendritic cells, macrophages, and endothelial cells in response to pathogens (2). It is transcriptionally regulated by TRAF3, IRF3, IRF7, and NF-κB (3, 4). IFN-β-deficient mice show increased susceptibility to experimental autoimmune encephalomyelitis (EAE), a disease model of human multiple sclerosis (MS) (5). Furthermore, IFN-β has been shown to suppress the Th17 cell response in both MS and EAE and has commonly been used as a treatment for MS (6-10). IFN-β can additionally induce the expression of the anti-inflammatory cytokine IL-10 (11).

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