

## Mouse TNF-α Alexa Fluor® 488-conjugated Antibody

Monoclonal Rat IgG<sub>1</sub> Clone # MP6-XT22)
Catalog Number: IC4101G

100 µg

DESCRIPTION			
Species Reactivity	Mouse		
Specificity	Detects mouse TNF-α.		
Source	Monoclonal Rat IgG <sub>1</sub> Clone # MP6-XT22)		
Purification	Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant		
Immunogen	mouse TNF-α		
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 488 Excitation Wavelength: 488 nm		
	Emission Wavelength: 515-545 nm		
Formulation	Supplied 0.2 mg/mL in a saline solution containing BSA and 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.				
	Recommended Concentration	Sample		
Intracellular Staining by Flow Cytometry	0.25-1 μg/10 <sup>6</sup> cells	Raw264 cells treated with LPS, fixed and permeabilized with FlowX FoxP3/Transcription Factor Fixation & Perm Kit (Catalog # FC012) and mouse splenocytes treated with PMA and Ca2+ Ionomycin		

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**

Tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF-alpha, TNF- α, TNFA ), also known as Cachectin and TNFSF2, is the prototypic ligand of the TNF superfamily. It is a pleiotropic molecule that plays a central role in inflammation, immune system development, apoptosis, and lipid metabolism. TNF-alpha is produced by several lymphoid cells as well as by astrocytes, endothelial cells, and smooth muscle cells. Mouse TNF-alpha consists of a 35 amino acid (aa) cytoplasmic domain, a 21 aa transmembrane segment, and a 179 aa extracellular domain (ECD). Within the ECD, mouse TNF-alpha shares 94% aa sequence identity with rat and 70%-77% with bovine, canine, cotton rat, equine, feline, human, porcine, and rhesus TNF-alpha. TNF-alpha is produced by a wide variety of immune, epithelial, endothelial, and tumor cells. TNF-alpha is assembled intracellularly to form a noncovalently linked homotrimer which is expressed on the cell surface. Cell surface TNF-alpha can induce the lysis of neighboring tumor cells and virus infected cells, and it can generate its own downstream cell signaling following ligation by soluble TNFR I. Shedding of membrane bound TNF-alpha by TACE/ADAM17 releases the bioactive cytokine, a 55 kDa molecular weight soluble trimer of the TNF-alpha extracellular domain. TNF-alpha binds the ubiquitous 55-60 kDa TNF RI and the hematopoietic cell-restricted 80 kDa TNF RI, both of which are also expressed as homotrimers present on virtually all cell types. Both type I and type II receptors bind TNF-alpha with comparable affinity, although only TNF RI contains a cytoplasmic death domain which triggers the activation of apoptosis. Soluble forms of both types of receptors are released and can neutralize the biological activity of TNF-alpha.

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