

IL-12 (500-M12): sc-65354

BACKGROUND

The interleukins (ILs) are a broad family of well characterized cytokines, primarily of hematopoietic cell origin. As new cytokines are molecularly characterized, they are assigned an IL number to maintain a standard nomenclature. ILs are secreted by immune cells (mainly macrophages, B cells or T cells) that regulate a wide range of immune system functions. The functions of different ILs vary from regulating inflammatory and immune responses, functioning as autocrine factor and regulating and/or inhibiting other ILs. IL-12 is secreted by macrophages and human B-lymphoblastoid cells in response to antigenic stimulation. It is responsible for the differentiation of naive CD4⁺ T cells into type 1 helper T cells that produce interferon- γ (IFN- γ). It also activates production of tumor necrosis factor α (TNF α) from T and natural killer (NK) cells, and it inhibits IL-4 mediated suppression of IFN- γ . IL-12 also has anti-angiogenic activity, since the production of IFN- γ increases the production of inducible protein-10 (IP-10).

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: IL12B (human) mapping to 5q33.3.

SOURCE

IL-12 (500-M12) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against recombinant IL-12 of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 100 μ g IgG₁ in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

IL-12 (500-M12) is recommended for detection of IL-12 of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Molecular Weight of IL-12: 70 kDa.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Li, H., et al. 2015. Cigarette smoke extract-treated mast cells promote alveolar macrophage infiltration and polarization in experimental chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. *Inhal. Toxicol.* 27: 822-831.

STORAGE

Store at 4° C, ****DO NOT FREEZE****. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

PROTOCOLS

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