Purified Rabbit Anti-rat IL-15A

Catalog Number: TP231

Lot Number:

Content: Protein A purified rabbit IgG, 200 μg, with 0.1% sodium azide, lyophilized

(Reconstitute to 1 mg/ml by adding 200 µl PBS)

Product Description and Usage: For research use only. This polyclonal antibody, which reacts with rat IL-15, was generated using *E. coli*-expressed rat IL-15 (aa 52-103) as an immunogen. The tested titer for Western blot is 1:5,000.

Cross-reactivity to IL-15 of other species has not been determined.

Storage Condition: 4 C for short term storage or -20 C in small aliquots for long term storage. Avoid repeated freeze and thaw.

Background: IL-15 is a member of the four helix-bundle cytokine family with a molecular weight of 14-15 kDa. Its in vitro activity is very similar to that of IL-2, except that IL-15 utilizes the IL-15 receptor alpha subunit for binding ¹. IL-15 play an important role in the growth and differentiation of T and B lymphocytes, natural killer cells,

macrophages, and monocytes. It also activates a number of importatnat intracellular signaling molecules ². This implies that IL-15 could be essential for the immune responses, allograft rejection, and the pathogenesis of autoimmune diseases ³.

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