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Antibody Datasheet

Product Name:	Mouse anti Toxoplasma gondii SAG-1
Clone number:	6207
lsotype:	Mouse IgG2a
Product code:	MAB12296-100
Batch Number:	
Amount:	0.1mg
Concentration:	1 mg/ml
Buffer:	Phosphate Buffered Saline pH7.2
Preservative:	0.09% Sodium Azide (NaN₃)
Purification:	The antibody was purified by affinity chromatography on protein A
Specificity:	This antibody is specific for major surface protein SAG-1 (p30) of <i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> (<i>T.gondii</i>).
Applications:	ELISA, IFA, WB
Secondary reagents:	Goat anti mouse IgG:HRP (PAB21441HRP)
Antigen background:	<i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> (<i>T. gondii</i>) is an obligate intracellular parasitic protozoan of the phylum Apicomplexa. It is the causative agent of the disease Toxoplasmosis, a common parasitic zoonoses which is widespread throughout most of the world.
	The domestic cat and other members of the family <i>Felidae</i> are the only definitive hosts for <i>T.gondii</i> . However, <i>T.gondii</i> is also capable of infecting a wide range of birds and mammals, including humans, which act as intermediate hosts.





In domestic cats, sexual replication of *T.gondii* occurs with the release of oocysts into the environment, in cat faeces. In humans, *T.gondii* is primarily acquired by ingesting undercooked meat contaminated with bradyzoites (tissue cysts), drinking water contaminated by oocysts, or via accidental ingestion of cat faeces containing oocysts. In pregnant women, infected with *T.gondii*, vertical transmission of the parasite can occur causing congenital defects, stillbirths or miscarriage. In rare cases, infection via blood transfusion and organ transplant can also occur (CDC).

In humans, ingestion of *T.gondii* tissue cysts (bradyzoites) or oocysts causes rupture of the cyst wall releasing sporozoites, which invade enterocytes in the small intestine and start to replicate. Infected cells then release tachyzoites which can enter adjacent cells and continue multiply. This acute phase of infection allows tachyzoites to disseminate throughout the body affecting multiple cells and organs.

A major surface protein SAG-1 (p30), abundant on the surface of tachyzoites, is an immunogenic target which stimulates a potent immune response. Tachyzoites that survive the immune response form bradyzoites in human nerve and muscle tissues, where they can remain dormant during the life of the host (<u>Black, MW)</u>.

Most humans infected with *T.gondii* remain asymptomatic, or may present with mild flu-like symptoms including fever, headache, muscle pain and lymphadenopathy. However, in immunocompromised individuals, Toxoplasmosis can cause clinical disease including retinochoroiditis, myocarditis and meningoencephalitis, potentially leading to death. In pregnant women, *T.gondii* infection during the early stages of pregnancy can result in miscarriage, stillbirth or congenital defects of the newborn (<u>CDC</u>).

References:Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: Parasites – Toxoplasmosis (Toxoplasma
infection)

Black MW, Boothroyd JC. 2000. Lytic cycle of Toxoplasma gondii. Microbiol Mol Biol Rev. Sep;64(3):607-23.

Storage: Store at $+4^{\circ}$ C for up to three months, or at -20° C for longer.

The Antibody is shipped at ambient temperature. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.

