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MMRRC Stock No: 44043-JAX | *traf2* -

Congenic, Targeted Mutation



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Overview

Also Known As: *traf2*

Traf2 (TNF receptor-associated factor 2) knock-out mice exhibit a high percentage of perinatal lethality, lymphopenia, high levels of

serum TNF and an increased susceptibility to TNF-induced cell death. These mice may be useful for studies of TNF signaling and TNF-induced apoptosis.

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GENETIC OVERVIEW

Genetic Background

Generation

Traf2^{tm1Mak}

Allele Type

Gene Symbol

Gene Name

Targeted (Null/Knockout)

Traf2

TNF receptor-associated factor 2

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RESEARCH APPLICATIONS

Research Tools

Developmental Biology Research

Apoptosis Research

Immunology, Inflammation and Autoimmunity Research

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Details

Detailed Description

The *Traf2* (TNF receptor-associated factor 2) gene belongs to a family of six intracellular signal transducers and is a component of the TNFR1 and TNFR2 complexes that are formed following TNF stimulation. Mice homozygous for this knock-out allele appear normal at birth, but become progressively runted and most die by 10-14 days. Although no developmental or morphological abnormalities are observed, the viability of homozygous embryos decreases after E14.5, the effect is more pronounced when the genetic background contains more alleles from C57BL/6. At death, mice are 20% to 50% the size of normal controls and exhibit decreased muscle mass and fat deposits. In addition, both the thymus and spleen are depleted of lymphocytes. Peripheral blood cells show loss of both T and B lymphocytes and relative granulocytosis. In the absence of *Traf2* serum TNF levels are increased and thymocytes and other hematopoietic progenitors become susceptible to TNF-induced cell death. Examination of *Traf2*-deficient cells reveals a severe reduction in TNF-mediated JNK/SAPK activation, but a mild effect on NF-kappaB activation. These mice may be useful for studies of TNF signaling and TNF-induced apoptosis.

Development

Control Suggestions

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Genotyping Protocols

Separated PCR: [Traf2^{tm1Mak}](#)

[Genotyping resources and troubleshooting](#)

Breeding Considerations

When maintaining a live colony, heterozygous mice may be bred to wildtype siblings. Most homozygotes die by 10-14 days.

[Additional Breeding and Husbandry Support](#)

Mating System

+/+ sibling x Heterozygote

Heterozygote x +/+ sibling

Heterozygote x C57BL/6J (000664)

C57BL/6J (000664) x Heterozygote

Citation

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