Technical Data Sheet

Purified Mouse Anti-Human Retinoblastoma Protein

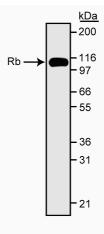
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Material Number:	554145
Alternate Name:	RB
Size:	0.1 mg
Concentration:	0.5 mg/ml
Clone:	XZ91
Immunogen:	Recombinant carboxy-terminal truncated Rb protein
Isotype:	Mouse IgG2a
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Human
	Reported: Chicken, Mink
Target MW:	105-116 kDa
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing ≤0.09% sodium azide.

Description

The retinoblastoma gene encodes a nuclear phosphoprotein (Rb or p110Rb) which is expressed in most normal cells of vertebrates and acts as a tumor suppressor gene product. An underphosphorylated form of Rb is mainly found in resting or fully differentiated cells, whereas the hyperphosphorylated form is present in proliferating cells. Only the underphosphorylated form of Rb binds specifically to viral oncogenes such as SV40 large T, adenoviral E1A and HPV-E7. This interaction may partially contribute to the transforming activity of these viral oncoproteins. Rb also interacts with several cyclins including A, D and E, as well as the transcriptional activator E2F. The importance of these interactions for the biological function of Rb is still being elucidated.

Clone XZ91 recognizes an epitope located between amino acids 444-535 of human Rb. XZ91 cross reacts with chicken and mink Rb. A recombinant carboxy-terminal truncated Rb protein (containing approximately 60 kD of the Rb coding region) was used as immunogen.



Western blot analysis of Rb. Lysate from MOLT-4 human leukemia cells was probed with anti-Rb (clone XZ91, Cat. No. 554145). Clone XZ91 recognizes the phosphorylated and underphosphorylated forms of Rb (~110-116 kDa).

Preparation and Storage

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography. Store undiluted at 4°C.

Application Notes

Application

Western blot	Routinely Tested
Immunofluorescence	Reported
Immunoprecipitation	Reported

Recommended Assay Procedure:

Applications include immunoprecipitation (1-2 μ g/one million cells), western blot analysis (2 μ g/ml) and immunofluorescence microscopy of cultured cells. Rb migrates as multiple closely-spaced bands between approximately 110-116 kD when sized on denaturing polyacrylamide gels (i.e. by SDS-PAGE). The different bands represent different Rb phosphorylation states; the higher molecular weight bands are more highly

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phosphorylated than the lower molecular weight bands. The level of phosphorylation is cell cycle dependent, and may also be cell type dependent (not all forms are seen in all cell types that express Rb). Polyacrylamide gel conditions influence the actual number of bands observed. In cases where optimal band separation is desired, we recommend a 4 to 20% gradient gel (\geq 12 inches long). MOLT-4 human leukemia cells (ATCC CRL-1582) are suggested as a positive control.

Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
554002	HRP Goat Anti-Mouse Ig	1.0 ml	(none)

Product Notices

- 1. Since applications vary, each investigator should titrate the reagent to obtain optimal results.
- 2. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols for technical protocols.
- 3. Caution: Sodium azide yields highly toxic hydrazoic acid under acidic conditions. Dilute azide compounds in running water before discarding to avoid accumulation of potentially explosive deposits in plumbing.

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