

Technical Data Sheet

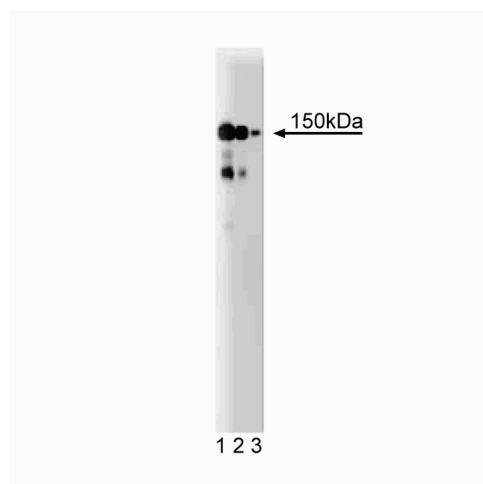
Purified Mouse Anti-Human CD49b**Product Information**

Material Number:	611016
Alternate Name:	Integrin $\alpha 2$; VLA-2 α
Size:	50 μ g
Concentration:	250 μ g/ml
Clone:	2/CD49b
Immunogen:	Human VLA-2 α aa.42-245
Isotype:	Mouse IgG2a
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Human
Target MW:	150 kDa
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA, glycerol, and $\leq 0.09\%$ sodium azide.

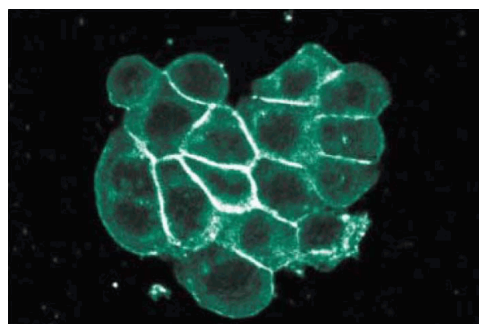
Description

Integrins are a family of dimeric proteins that mediate cell-to-cell and extracellular matrix adhesion. They consist of a large α chain that is non-covalently associated with a smaller β chain which is used to define integrin subfamilies. These molecules exhibit a wide range of expression throughout development and adulthood. VLA-2 (very late antigen), a member of the integrin superfamily, was identified on activated T cells, but has since been reported to be on various cell types. VLA-2 is reported to be a heterodimer of integrin $\alpha 2$ (CD49b) and integrin $\beta 1$ (CD29) subunits. The $\alpha 2$ chain contains a large extracellular domain, a transmembrane domain, and a short cytoplasmic tail. VLA-2 functions as a collagen receptor on platelets and fibroblasts, as well as a collagen and laminin receptor on endothelial and epithelial cells. On activated T cells, VLA-2, like LFA-1, exhibits increased number and affinity of ligand binding. Interactions of these molecules with their extracellular matrix ligands is important for directing effector T cells to their target tissues and to provide co-stimulatory signals. Thus, VLA-2 not only plays an important role in cellular adhesion, but may function in intracellular signal transmission.

This antibody is routinely tested by western blot analysis. Other applications were tested at BD Biosciences Pharmingen during antibody development only or reported in the literature.



Western blot analysis of CD49b (Integrin $\alpha 2$) on a HeLa cell lysate (Human cervical epitheloid carcinoma; ATCC CCL-2.2). Lane 1: 1:250, lane 2: 1:500, lane 3: 1:1000 dilution of the anti-human CD49b antibody.



Immunofluorescence staining of WiDr cells (Human colorectal adenocarcinoma; ATCC CCL-218).

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Preparation and Storage

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography.

Store undiluted at -20° C.

Application Notes

Application

Western blot	Routinely Tested
Immunofluorescence	Tested During Development

Recommended Assay Procedure:

Western blot: Please refer to http://www.bdbiosciences.com/pharmingen/protocols/Western_Blotting.shtml

Suggested Companion Products

Catalog Number	Name	Size	Clone
611449	HeLa Cell Lysate	500 µg	(none)
554002	HRP Goat Anti-Mouse Igs	1.0 ml	(none)
554001	FITC Goat Anti-Mouse Igs	0.5 mg	Polyclonal

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. Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.
4. 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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