

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Human
Specificity	Detects human GPVI in direct ELISAs and Western blots.
Source	Polyclonal Sheep IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human GPVI (R&D Systems, Catalog # 3627-GP) Gln21-Lys267 Accession # Q9HCN6
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 488 Excitation Wavelength: 488 nm Emission Wavelength: 515-545 nm
Formulation	Supplied 0.2mg/ml in 1X PBS with RDF1 and 0.09% Sodium Azide *Contains <0.1% Sodium Azide, which is not hazardous at this concentration according to GHS classifications. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for additional information and handling instructions.

APPLICATIONS

Please Note: Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. General Protocols are available in the Technical Information section on our website.

Western Blot Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Shipping	The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.
Stability & Storage	Protect from light. Do not freeze. 12 months from date of receipt, 2 to 8 °C as supplied

BACKGROUND

Glycoprotein VI (GPVI) is a 63 kDa platelet/megakaryocyte-specific type I transmembrane glycoprotein of the immunoglobulin superfamily that is an important collagen receptor and initiator of platelet activation, aggregation and thrombin generation (1, 2). GPVI is also a secondary receptor required for platelet spreading on laminin (3). Human GPVI contains a 20 amino acid (aa) signal sequence, a 247 aa extracellular domain (ECD) that has two C-type Ig-like domains followed by a mucin-like, presumably O-glycosylated Ser-Thr-rich region, a 21 aa transmembrane (TM) domain and a 51 aa cytoplasmic tail that contains calmodulin-binding and SH3 domains. Human GPVI ECD shows 69%, 65% and 70% aa identity with mouse, bovine and canine GPVI ECD, respectively. Two splice variants exist; one is 17 aa shorter in the ECD, while the other diverges at aa 260, creating an inactive monomeric and presumably secreted 681 aa protein (3). GPVI associates with the Fc receptor γ-chain via charged aa in the TM domains of GPVI (arginine) and the FcRγ (aspartic acid) (2). Collagen binding by the GPVI Ig-like domains initiates signaling through the FcRγ ITAM sequence (2). Dimerization of GPVI (2:2 with FcRγ) and N-glycosylation greatly enhances collagen binding (5, 6). Type I and III collagens are strong thrombus-forming components in the vascular subendothelium and atherosclerotic plaques (7). GPVI initiates binding to fibrillar collagens under flow conditions, then activates integrin α2β1 which binds collagen more tightly (8). GPVI deficiencies cause only a mild bleeding tendency, probably because integrin α2β1 is able to minimally initiate collagen binding (8). Normal human GPVI concentration can vary widely and affect maximum thrombin generation (9). Engagement of GPVI by collagens or other agonists, including autoantibodies, causes calmodulin-regulated metalloproteinase cleavage of the 57 kDa ECD and depletes surface GPVI (10).

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