

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Human
Specificity	Detects human Desmocollin-2 in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs and Western blots, less than 5% cross-reactivity with recombinant human (rh) Desmocollin-1 and rhDesmocollin-3 is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Sheep IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human Desmocollin-2 Arg136-Arg684 Accession # Q02487
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.
Immunoprecipitation	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

Desmocollin-2 (DSC2) is a 100-110 kDa transmembrane glycoprotein member of the cadherin family of calcium dependent adhesion molecules (1 - 3). Human DSC2 is synthesized as a 901 amino acid (aa) precursor. It contains a 108 aa propeptide plus a mature region that consists of a 559 aa extracellular domain (ECD) that contains five cadherin-like domains, a 21 aa transmembrane segment, and a 186 aa cytoplasmic region (4). Within the ECD, human DSC2 shares 74% - 79% aa sequence identity with bovine, mouse, and rat DSC2. It shares 54% and 64% aa sequence identity with Desmocollin-1 and -3, respectively. DSC2 is also expressed as long and short splice forms which differ in their cytoplasmic regions (4, 5). The N-terminal two cadherin-like domains mediate homophilic interactions as well as heterophilic interactions with Desmoglein-2 (6). DSC2 is one of the principal components of desmosomes which form adhesive contacts between epithelial cells (1, 2). It is expressed in the basal and suprabasal layers of stratified epithelia in many tissues (1, 5, 7). In contrast to DSC1 and DSC3, DSC2 is also expressed in simple epithelia lining the gastrointestinal tract, liver, and kidney (5). During colon carcinogenesis however, DSC2 is downregulated, while DSC1 and DSC3 are upregulated (8). DSC2 is additionally expressed in the myocardium, and a variety of DSC2 mutations are associated with the cardiac arrhythmia disorder ARVC (5, 9).

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