

## DESCRIPTION

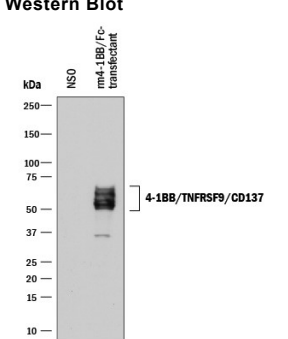
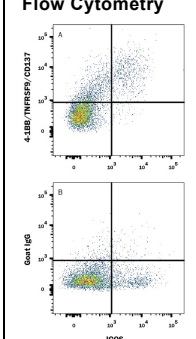
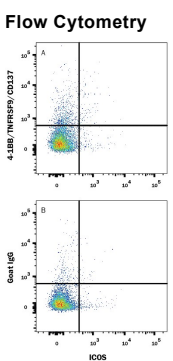
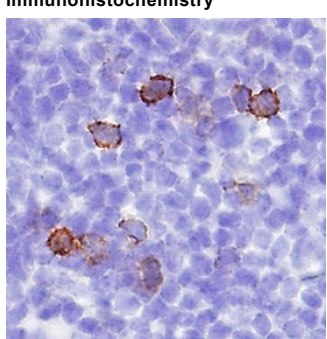
<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Mouse
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects mouse 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs, approximately 100% cross-reactivity with recombinant rat 4-1BB/TNFRSF9 is observed. In Western blots, less than 5% cross-reactivity with recombinant human 4-1BB and recombinant mouse EDAR is observed.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant mouse 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 Val24-Leu187 Accession # P20334
<b>Endotoxin Level</b>	<0.10 EU per 1 µg of the antibody by the LAL method.
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied either lyophilized or as a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS.

## 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.

	Recommended Concentration	Sample
<b>Western Blot</b>	0.5 µg/mL	See Below
<b>Flow Cytometry</b>	0.25 µg/10 <sup>6</sup> cells	See Below
<b>Immunohistochemistry</b>	1-15 µg/mL	See Below
<b>CytoF-ready</b>	Ready to be labeled using established conjugation methods. No BSA or other carrier proteins that could interfere with conjugation.	
<b>Agonist Activity</b>	Measured by its ability to co-stimulate IFN-γ secretion by mouse splenic T cells in the presence of anti-CD3. Saoulli, K. <i>et al.</i> (1998) <i>J. Exp. Med.</i> <b>187</b> (11):1849 and Cannons, J. <i>et al.</i> (2001) <i>J. Immunol.</i> <b>167</b> :1313. The ED <sub>50</sub> for this effect is typically 0.3 - 1 µg/mL.	

## DATA

<p><b>Western Blot</b></p>  <p><b>Detection of Mouse 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 by Western Blot.</b> Western blot shows lysates of NS0 mouse myeloma cell line either mock transfected or transfected with recombinant mouse 4-1BB/Fc chimera. PVDF membrane was probed with 0.5 µg/mL of Goat Anti-Mouse 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF937) followed by HRP-conjugated Anti-Goat IgG Secondary Antibody (Catalog # HAF017). Specific bands were detected for 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 at approximately 50-60 kDa (as indicated). This experiment was conducted under reducing conditions and using <i>Immunoblot Buffer Group 1</i>.</p>	<p><b>Flow Cytometry</b></p>  <p><b>Detection of 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 in Activated Mouse Splenocytes by Flow Cytometry.</b> Activated mouse splenocytes were stained with Rat Anti-Mouse ICOS APC-conjugated Monoclonal Antibody (Catalog # FAB168A) and either (A) Goat Anti-Mouse 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF937) or (B) Normal Goat IgG Control (Catalog # AB-108-C) followed by Phycoerythrin-conjugated Anti-Goat IgG Secondary Antibody (Catalog # F0107). View our protocol for <i>Staining Membrane-associated Proteins</i>.</p>
<p><b>Flow Cytometry</b></p>  <p><b>Detection of 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 in Resting Mouse Splenocytes by Flow Cytometry.</b> Resting mouse splenocytes were stained with Rat Anti-Mouse ICOS APC-conjugated Monoclonal Antibody (Catalog # FAB168A) and either (A) Goat Anti-Mouse 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF937) or (B) Normal Goat IgG Control (Catalog # AB-108-C) followed by Phycoerythrin-conjugated Anti-Goat IgG Secondary Antibody (Catalog # F0107). View our protocol for <i>Staining Membrane-associated Proteins</i>.</p>	<p><b>Immunohistochemistry</b></p>  <p><b>4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 in Mouse Spleen.</b> 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 was detected in perfusion fixed frozen sections of mouse spleen using Goat Anti-Mouse 4-1BB/TNFRSF9/CD137 Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF937) at 1.7 µg/mL overnight at 4 °C. Tissue was stained using the Anti-Goat HRP-DAB Cell &amp; Tissue Staining Kit (brown; Catalog # CTS009) and counterstained with hematoxylin (blue). Specific staining was localized to cell surfaces. View our protocol for <i>Chromogenic IHC Staining of Frozen Tissue Sections</i>.</p>

**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

<b>Reconstitution</b>	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
<b>Shipping</b>	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below. *Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C
<b>Stability &amp; Storage</b>	<p><b>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.</li> <li>● 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> <li>● 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul>

**BACKGROUND**

4-1BB, also known as CD137 and ILA (induced by lymphocyte activation), is a TNF receptor superfamily member and has been designated TNFRSF9. Mouse 4-1BB cDNA encodes a 256 amino acid (aa) residues type I transmembrane protein with a putative 23 aa signal peptide, a 164 aa extracellular domain, a 21 aa transmembrane domain and a 48 aa cytoplasmic region (1-3). A soluble 4-1BB is released from surfaces of cells expressing the transmembrane protein (4). Mouse 4-1BB shares approximately 60% aa sequence identity with its human counterpart. 4-1BB is expressed on activated CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells, thymocytes, and NK cells. It is also expressed on monocytes, neutrophils, DCs and eosinophils (5). The ligand for 4-1BB (4-1BBL), also named TNFSF9, belongs to the TNF ligand superfamily. 4-1BBL is predominantly expressed on activated antigen presenting cells (APCs) such as B cells, macrophages and dendritic cells (DCs). It is also expressed on most T and B lymphoma cell lines. In response to 4-1BBL binding, 4-1BB transduce a T cell costimulatory signal in both CD4<sup>+</sup> and CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells to promote survival and enhance proliferation, cytokine production and effector function. *In vivo*, the costimulatory activity of 4-1BB has been shown to be important in graft-versus-host disease and antiviral CTL responses. On dendritic cells, 4-1BB is a DC-activating molecules that enhances cytokine production and up-regulates expression of B7-1 and B7-2 costimulatory molecules, resulting in an improved ability to stimulate T cell responses (1-5).

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