

## DESCRIPTION

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| <b>Species Reactivity</b>                                                                                                                                                                               | Mouse                                                                                                         |
| <b>Specificity</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      | Detects mouse SPARC in direct ELISAs and Western blots.                                                       |
| <b>Source</b>                                                                                                                                                                                           | Polyclonal Goat IgG                                                                                           |
| <b>Purification</b>                                                                                                                                                                                     | Antigen Affinity-purified                                                                                     |
| <b>Immunogen</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant mouse SPARC/Osteonectin<br>Ala18-Ile302<br>Accession # P07214 |
| <b>Conjugate</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | Alexa Fluor 488<br>Excitation Wavelength: 488 nm<br>Emission Wavelength: 515-545 nm                           |
| <b>Formulation</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      | 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.

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| <b>CyTOF-ready</b>                              | Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined. |
| <b>Western Blot</b>                             | Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined. |
| <b>Immunocytochemistry</b>                      | Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined. |
| <b>Immunohistochemistry</b>                     | Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined. |
| <b>Intracellular Staining by Flow Cytometry</b> | Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined. |

## PREPARATION AND STORAGE

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

## BACKGROUND

SPARC, an acronym for "secreted protein, acidic and rich in cysteine", is also known as osteonectin or BM-40 (1-5). It is the founding member of a family of secreted matricellular proteins with similar domain structure. The 302 amino acid (aa), 43 kDa protein contains a 17 aa signal sequence, an N-terminal acidic region that binds calcium, a follistatin domain containing Kazal-like sequences, and a C-terminal extracellular calcium (EC) binding domain with two EF-hand motifs (1-5). Crystal structure shows that residues implicated in cell binding, inhibition of cell spreading and disassembly of focal adhesions cluster on one face of SPARC, while a collagen binding epitope and an N-glycosylation site are opposite this face (6). SPARC is produced by fibroblasts, capillary endothelial cells, platelets, and macrophages, especially in areas of tissue morphogenesis and remodeling (3, 7). SPARC shows context-specific effects, but generally inhibits adhesion, spreading and proliferation, and promotes collagen matrix formation (3-5). For endothelial cells, SPARC disrupts focal adhesions and binds and sequesters PDGF and VEGF (3-5). SPARC is abundantly expressed in bone, where it promotes osteoblast differentiation and inhibits adipogenesis (5, 8). SPARC is potentially cleaved by metalloproteinases, producing an angiogenic peptide that includes the copper-binding sequence KGHK (7). Paradoxically, SPARC is highly expressed in many tumor types, yet expression mainly decreases the likelihood of metastasis and confers sensitivity to chemotherapy and radiation (4, 9, 10). Stabilin-1, which is expressed on alternately activated macrophages, is the first SPARC receptor to be identified. It binds the SPARC EC domain and mediates endocytosis for degradation (11). Mature mouse SPARC shows 97%, 92%, 92%, 92%, and 83% aa identity with rat, human, dog, cow, and chick SPARC, respectively.

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