

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Mouse
Specificity	Detects mouse IL-28A/IFN- λ 2 in Western blots. In Western blots, approximately 50% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse IL-28B is observed, less than 10% cross-reactivity with recombinant human (rh) IL-28B is observed, and less than 5% cross-reactivity with rhIL-28A is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Sheep IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant mouse IL-28A/IFN- λ 2 Asp20-Val193 Accession # NP_001019844
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.2 μ m filtered solution in PBS with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

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
Western Blot	0.1 μ g/mL	Recombinant Mouse IL-28A/IFN- λ 2 (Catalog # 4635-ML)

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

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

BACKGROUND

IL-28A (also named interferon- λ 2, IFN- λ 2), IL-28B (IFN- λ 3) and IL-29 (IFN- λ 1) are type III interferons that are class II cytokine receptor ligands (1-4). They are distantly related to members of the IL-10 family and type I IFN family (1-4). Mouse IL-28A cDNA encodes a 193 amino acid (aa) protein with a 19 aa signal peptide and a 174 aa mature protein that lacks N-glycosylation sites. Mature mouse IL-28A shares 81% and 66% aa sequence identity with rat and human IL-28A, respectively, and functions across species (5). Mouse IL-28A and IL-28B share 97% aa identity; the mouse lacks a functional IL-29 gene (4). Type III interferons are widely expressed, but are mainly produced by antigen presenting cells in response to viruses and double-stranded RNA that interact with Toll-like receptors or RIG-1 family helicases (2-6). They signal through a widely expressed receptor that is a heterodimer of the IL-10 receptor β (IL-10 R β) and IL-28 receptor α (IL-28 R α ; also called IFN- λ R1) (2, 3, 7, 9). Interaction of either type I or type III IFNs with their receptors activates similar pathways, including JAK tyrosine kinase activation, STAT phosphorylation and formation of the IFN-stimulated regulatory factor 3 (ISGF-3) transcription factor complex (1-3). Both type I and III IFNs induce antiviral activity and upregulate MHC class I antigen expression (2-6). Cell lines responsive to type III IFNs are also responsive to type I IFNs, but in general, higher concentrations of type III IFNs are needed for similar *in vitro* responses (8). *In vivo*, however, type III IFNs enhance levels of IFN- γ in serum, suggesting that the robust antiviral activity of type III IFNs may stem in part from activation of the immune system (5, 7). Anti-proliferative and antitumor activity *in vivo* has also been shown for type III IFNs (9-11).

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