

## DESCRIPTION

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| <b>Species Reactivity</b>                                                                                                                                                                               | Human                                                                                                  |
| <b>Specificity</b>                                                                                                                                                                                      | Detects human R-Spondin 2 in direct ELISAs.                                                            |
| <b>Source</b>                                                                                                                                                                                           | Monoclonal Rat IgG <sub>1</sub> Clone # 879709                                                         |
| <b>Purification</b>                                                                                                                                                                                     | Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant                                             |
| <b>Immunogen</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human R-Spondin 2<br>Met1-Gly205<br>Accession # Q6UXX9 |
| <b>Conjugate</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | Alexa Fluor 594<br>Excitation Wavelength: 590 nm<br>Emission Wavelength: 617 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.

**Neutralization** 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

Human Roof plate-specific Spondin 2 isoform 1 (R-Spondin 2, RSPO-2), also known as cysteine-rich and single thrombospondin domain containing protein 2 (Cristin 2), is a 33 kDa secreted protein that belongs to the R-Spondin family. The four known human R-Spondins regulate  $\beta$ -catenin signaling and overlap in expression and function (1-3). Like other R-Spondins, R-Spondin 2 contains two adjacent cysteine-rich furin-like domains (aa 90-134) followed by a thrombospondin (TSP-1) motif (aa 144-204) and a C-terminal region rich in basic residues (aa 207-243). The basic region appears to mediate cell surface retention but not to influence function (1). R-Spondin 2 contains one potential N-glycosylation site. Of the three reported splice isoforms of human R-Spondin 2, isoform 2 lacks residues 1-67 of isoform 1, while isoform 3 has a glycine substitution for residues 32-95 of isoform 1. Human R-Spondin 2 is expressed in organs of endodermal origin in adults, including intestine and lung, and is downregulated in tumors of these tissues (1). In the embryonic mouse, R-Spondin 2 is expressed most highly in the hippocampus and in developing teeth and bones (4). Studies in *Xenopus* and mouse embryos indicate that R-Spondin 2 is an extracellular activator of Wnt/ $\beta$ -catenin signaling and is required for myogenesis (1). Mouse R-Spondin proteins bind both LRP-6 and Frizzled-8 but do not appear to form a ternary complex (3). R-Spondin 2 over-expression in *Xenopus* also blocks signaling of TGF- $\beta$  ligands, activin, nodal and BMP-4 (1). Human R-Spondin 2 is highly conserved across species, sharing 97-98% aa identity with mouse, rat, canine, bovine, and opossum R-Spondin 2 and 86% aa identity with *Xenopus* R-Spondin 2 within aa 22-205. Mature R-Spondin 2 shares ~40% aa identity with R-Spondin 1, R-Spondin 3, and R-Spondin 4.

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