

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Human
Specificity	Detects human IL-28B/IFN-λ3 in direct ELISAs.
Source	Monoclonal Mouse IgG _{2B} Clone # 567128
Purification	Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant
Immunogen	Chinese hamster ovary cell line CHO-derived recombinant human IL-28B/IFN-λ3 Arg30-Val200 (Lys74Arg) Accession # Q8IZI9
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.

ELISA 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

IL-28B (also named interferon-λ3, IFN-λ3), IL-28A (IFN-λ2) and IL-29 (IFN-λ1) 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). Human IL-28B cDNA encodes a 200 amino acid (aa) protein with a 25 aa signal peptide and a 175 aa mature protein that lacks N-glycosylation sites. Mature human IL-28B shares 64% and 75% aa sequence identity with mouse and canine IL-28B, respectively, and is active across species (5). Human IL-28B shares 94% and 69% aa identity with human IL-28A and IL-29, respectively (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 Rβ) and IL-28 receptor α (IL-28 Rα; 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 anti-viral 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 anti-viral 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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