

**DESCRIPTION**

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| <b>Species Reactivity</b> | Human   |
| <b>Specificity</b>        | Detects human GDF-15 in direct ELISAs.  |
| <b>Source</b>             | Monoclonal Mouse IgG <sub>2B</sub> Clone # 1005007  |
| <b>Purification</b>       | Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant  |
| <b>Immunogen</b>          | <i>E. coli</i> -derived recombinant human GDF-15<br>Ala197-Ile308<br>Accession # Q99988   |
| <b>Formulation</b>        | Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details.<br>*Small pack size (-SP) is supplied either lyophilized or as a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS. |

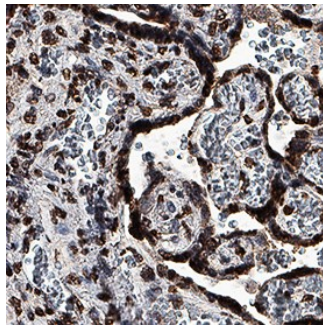
**APPLICATIONS**

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.

|                             | <b>Recommended Concentration</b> | <b>Sample</b> |
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| <b>Immunohistochemistry</b> | 5-25 µg/mL                       | See Below     |

**DATA**

**Immunohistochemistry**



**GDF-15 in Human Placenta.** GDF-15 was detected in immersion fixed paraffin-embedded sections of human placenta using Mouse Anti-Human GDF-15 Monoclonal Antibody (Catalog # MAB9572) at 5 µg/mL for 1 hour at room temperature followed by incubation with the Anti-Mouse IgG VisUCyte™ HRP Polymer Antibody (Catalog # VC001). Before incubation with the primary antibody, tissue was subjected to heat-induced epitope retrieval using Antigen Retrieval Reagent-Basic (Catalog # CTS013). Tissue was stained using DAB (brown) and counterstained with hematoxylin (blue). Specific staining was localized to syncytiotrophoblasts. View our protocol for [IHC Staining with VisUCyte HRP Polymer Detection Reagents](#).

**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

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| <b>Reconstitution</b>          | Reconstitute at 0.5 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.<br>*Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C   |
| <b>Stability &amp; Storage</b> | <b>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b> <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**

Growth Differentiation Factor 15 (GDF-15), also called Macrophage inhibitory cytokine-1 (MIC-1), placental transforming growth factor- $\beta$ , prostate-derived factor, and placental bone morphogenetic protein, is a divergent member of the transforming growth factor  $\beta$  (TGF- $\beta$ ) superfamily. GDF-15 is highly expressed in placenta and is expressed at lower levels in kidney, pancreas, prostate and colon. It is also widely expressed in brain. Similarly to other TGF- $\beta$  family proteins, GDF-15 is synthesized as a large precursor protein that is cleaved at the dibasic cleavage site (RXXR) to release the carboxy-terminal domain. The carboxy-terminal domain of GDF-15 contains the characteristic seven conserved cysteine residues necessary for the formation of the cysteine knot and the single interchain disulfide bond. Furthermore, the carboxy-terminal domain contains two additional cysteine residues that form a fourth intrachain disulfide bond. Biologically active GDF-15 is a disulfide-linked homodimer of the carboxy-terminal 112 amino acid residues. Mature human GDF-15 shares 66.1% and 68.7% amino acid sequence similarity with rat and mouse GDF-15, respectively, which are remarkably low homologies between species in TGF- $\beta$  superfamily. GDF-15 has been shown to have various functions, including inhibition of production of tumor necrosis factor  $\alpha$  (TNF- $\alpha$ ) from lipopolysaccharide-stimulated macrophages, induction of cartilage formation, early-stage endochondral bone formation, and promotion of neuronal survival.

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