PERFORMANCE DATA SHEET
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Human CD269(BCMA)-muIg /Biotin Fusion Protein*

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CATALOG#: 519-030
QUANTITY: 25 μg **CONCENTRATION: 0.5 mg/ml**

Molecular Structure: A soluble molecule consisting of the extracellular (54aa) domain of human BCMA fused to the murine IgG2a Fc (232 aa). Predicted monomeric weight: 33 kd.
Transfectant Cell Line: CHO

INFORMATION: The human B cell activating factor (BAFF) and APRIL(a proliferation inducing ligand) are both type II molecules belonging to the TNF superfamily. They are expressed by non-B cells, and are down regulated by mitogenic stimulation(2). BAFF and APRIL bind to at least two receptors: TACI (transmembrane activator and CAML-interactor) and BCMA (B cell maturation antigen), both of which are restricted to B cells(3,4). Ligation of these receptors with recombinant BAFF dramatically increases IgM production by peripheral blood B cells(1). Recently a third receptor for BAFF (BAFF-R) was described(5). BAFF and BAFFR knockout mice have a reduced numbers of mature B cells in the periphery, however TACI and BCMA knockouts do not share this phenotype, suggesting that BAFF-R may the primary receptor for BAFF in mice(8,9,10). Cell surface BAFF can be proteolytically cleaved to form a soluble trimeric molecule(2). Levels of soluble BAFF correspond with levels of autoantibodies in Sjogren's Syndrome(11). Recombinant human BCMA-muIg binds to recombinant BAFF-muCD8 and can inhibit binding of this molecule to receptors on Raji cells.

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STORAGE CONDITIONS: ***Store at 2 - 5^{o}C.*** **Freeze/Thawing is not recommended.**

PRODUCT STABILITY: Product should retain activity for at least 6 months after shipping date when stored as recommended. Ship Date:_____

BUFFER: 50 mM Sodium Phosphate pH 7.5, 100 mM Potassium Chloride, 150mM NaCl, 5% Glycerol, 0.2% BSA, 0.04% NaN_3 (as a preservative).

PRODUCTION: Fusion protein from (low FBS containing) tissue culture supernatant of transfectants was purified using affinity and size exclusion chromatography), and reacted with NHS-Biotin. Unconjugated Biotin was removed from conjugate by size exclusion chromatography.

PERFORMANCE: CD269**(**BCMA)-muIg/Biotin was reactive in EIA using either Goat-anti-mouse-Ig antibody, or BAFF-muCD8 fusion protein (Catalog #521-020) as capture reagent, followed by detection using Streptavidin/HRP. CD269-muIg/Biotin binds to BAFF-coated CML beads in FACS using SA/PE detection.

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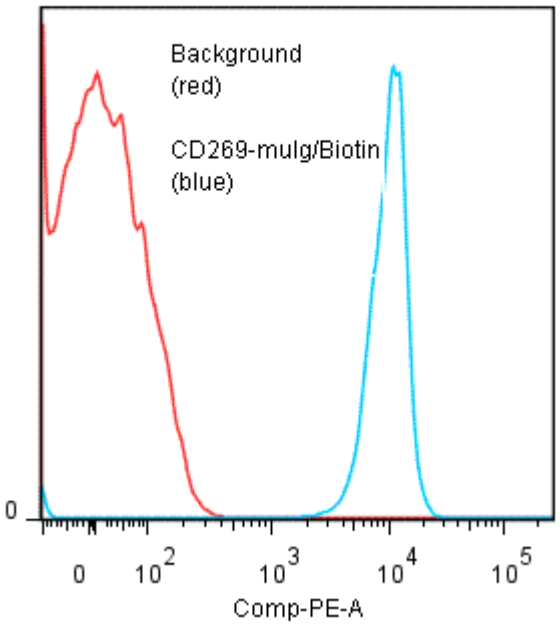
Binding of CD269(BCMA)-mulg/Biotin +SA/PE to BAFF-coated CML beads



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