

# Datasheet



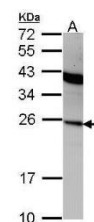
Mouse mAb to **Interferon  $\alpha$  2**  
Clone **N39**  
Isotype **IgG1- $\kappa$**

## Source

A BALB/c mouse was immunized with E. coli derived recombinant human IFN $\alpha$ 2c.  
Fusion partner: NS-1.

## Specifications

The alpha interferons are involved in virus resistance in target cells for these viruses. They are known to block cell proliferation and to regulate MHC class I antigen expression. The IFN $\alpha$  family has over 20 genes and pseudogenes in two families (I and II), one with a mature length of 166aa and one of 172aa. Cells producing IFN $\alpha$  are lymphocytes, monocytes, macrophages and cell lines such as Namalwa and KGI. Bioassays for IFN $\alpha$  include cytopathic effect blocking, by viruses such as VSV, SFV and BMCV, on their target cells. A number of receptors for IFN $\alpha$  are now known and seem to be expressed on most cell types. N39 is specific for human IFN $\alpha$ 2 and does not cross react with human IFN $\alpha$ 1. N39 is directed against immunodominant epitope site I (aa112-148).



**Figure 1:**  
Western blot  
stained for  
INF alpha 2

## Species reactivity

Positive: human.

## Applications

N39 can be used for the detection of human IFN $\alpha$ 2 in ELISA and Western blot. It can be paired with IFN $\alpha$ 2 mAb N27, to form an EIA to measure IFN $\alpha$ 2.

ELISA	Frozen sections	Pair	Western blot
+	+	N27	+

## Format

Produced in tissue culture, contains no host Ig. Antibodies are affinity purified and presented in PBS with 0,02 % sodium azide.

Stored at 4°C- 8°C, shelf life is at least 24 months after purchase.

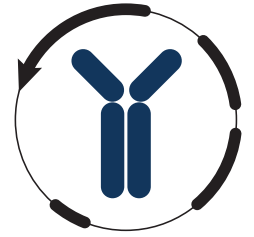
## Dilution advice

- ELISA (solid phase: 0,1-100  $\mu$ g/ml; tracer: 0,001-100  $\mu$ g/ml for 30 min at RT).
- Immunoblotting (1-2  $\mu$ g/ml).
- Immunohistology (1-2  $\mu$ g/ml for 30 min at RT; an appropriate antigen retrieval method for staining of formalin-fixed tissues has not been established to date).

## Positive control

Human IFN $\alpha$ 2, Namalwa and KGI cells.

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## References

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