ANTIBODIES, KITS, AND REAGENTS TO TARGET Developmental Signaling Pathways and the Link to Cancer



Developmental Signaling Pathways and the Link to Cancer

Developmental signaling pathways, including Wnt, Hedgehog, Hippo, Notch, and BMP/TGFβ, play a fundamental role in the dynamic transformation of a single-celled zygote into a highly complex multicellular organism. These signaling pathways regulate the core cellular processes, including proliferation, differentiation, and migration, that collectively underlie organismal growth and development^{1,2} Importantly, the role of these signaling pathways is not restricted to early development. They also function to regulate cellular activity within adult stem cell niches, which serve to maintain the functional integrity of tissues and organs.³ It is now widely recognized that aberrant regulation of these developmental signaling pathways can lead to disease states, including cancer.4,5 The processes of tumorigenesis and metastasis are commonly viewed as uncontrolled manifestations of basic developmental processes, such as cell proliferation, epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT), and migration, which are regulated by core developmental signaling pathways.⁶ Research studies that examine the fundamental mechanisms underlying normal development will therefore contribute to a greater understanding of mechanisms underlying the origin and progression of cancer. This will help lead to the discovery and development of novel strategies for therapeutic intervention.

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Developmental Biology and Cancer

CST has antibodies, kits, and reagents

for each stage of the experimental process.



Primary Antibodies

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SimpleChIP® Chromatin IP Kits

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Rigorously validated siRNAs can be used to selectively silence a protein of interest.

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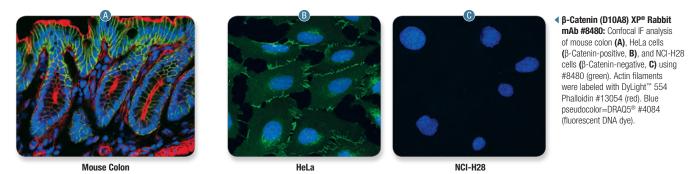
Secondary antibodies, growth factors and cytokines, loading controls, buffers, dyes, chemical modulators, detection reagents, protease inhibitors, proteases, and peptide standards are available to support your protocol.

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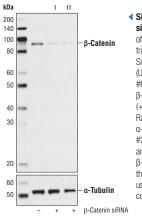
PROTEIN EXPRESSION AND LOCALIZATION

Antibodies to assess expression of key developmental biology targets

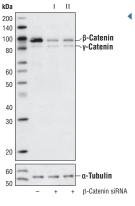


EXPERIMENTAL CONTROLS

SignalSilence[®] siRNAs to confirm target specificity



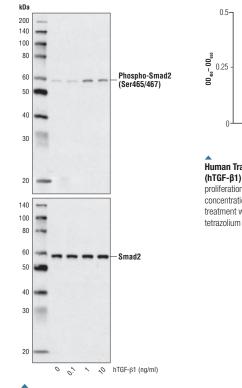
 SignalSilence[®] β-Catenin siRNA I #6225: WB analysis of extracts from HeLa cells, transfected with 100 nM SignalSilence® Control siRNA (Unconjugated) #6568 (-), #6225 (+), or SignalSilence® β-Catenin siRNA II #6238 (+), using β-Catenin (6B3) Rabbit mAb #9582 (upper) or a-Tubulin (11H10) Rabbit mAb #2125 (lower). The β-Catenin antibody confirms silencing of β-Catenin expression, while the α-tubulin rabbit mAb is used is used as a loading control.



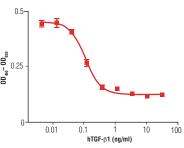
 SignalSilence[®] β-Catenin siRNA I #6225: WB analysis of extracts from HeLa cells, transfected with 100 nM SignalSilence® Control siRNA (Unconjugated) #6568 (-), #6225 (+), or SignalSilence® β-Catenin siRNA II #6238 . (+), using β-Catenin Antibody #9562 (upper) or a-Tubulin (11H10) Rabbit mAb #2125 (lower). The β-Catenin antibody recognizes both β-Catenin and γ-Catenin and demonstrates the specificity of β-Catenin expression silencing. The a-Tubulin rabbit mAb is used is used as a loading control.

GROWTH FACTORS AND CYTOKINES

Treat cells with a chemical modulator to induce differentiation

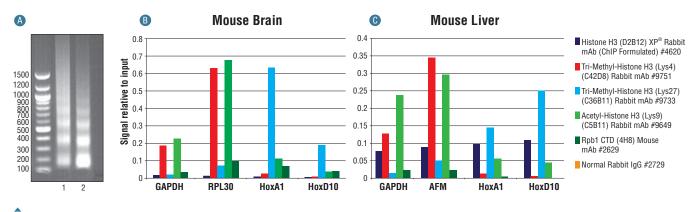


Human Transforming Growth Factor $\beta1$ (hTGF- $\beta1$) #8915: WB analysis of extracts from HeLa cells, untreated or treated with indicated concentration of #8915 for 25 min, using Phospho-Smad2 (Ser465/467) (138D4) Rabbit mAb #3108 (upper) and Smad2 (86F7) Rabbit mAb #3122 (lower).



Human Transforming Growth Factor B1 (hTGF-B1) #8915: The inhibition of IL-4 induced proliferation in HT-2 cells treated with increasing concentrations of #8915 was assessed. After 48 hour treatment with #8915, cells were incubated with a tetrazolium salt and the OD₄₅₀ - OD₆₅₀ was determined.

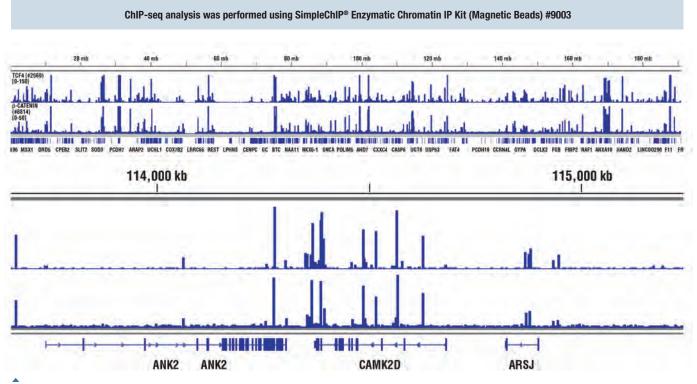
QUANTITATIVE ASSAYS



ChIP validated kits, primers, and antibodies to examine protein-DNA interactions

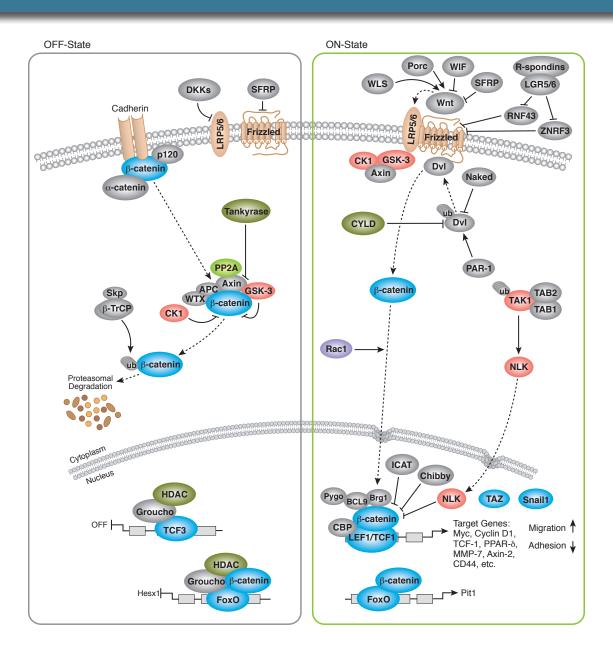
SimpleChIP® Plus Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9005: Mouse brain or mouse liver were cross-linked and disaggregated into a single-cell suspension using a Dounce homogenizer or tissue disaggregator, respectively. The chromatin was prepared and digested. DNA was purified, and 10 µl was separated by electrophoresis on a 1% agarose gel and stained with ethidium bromide. The majority of chromatin from both brain (lane 1) and liver (lane 2) was digested to 1 to 5 nucleosomes in length (150 to 900 bp) (A).

Chromatin immunoprecipitations were performed using the indicated ChIP-validated antibodies. Purified DNA was analyzed by quantitative real-time PCR using SimpleChIP® Mouse GAPDH Intron 2 Primers #8986, SimpleChIP® Mouse RPL30 Intron 2 Primers #7015, SimpleChIP® Mouse HoxA1 Promoter Primers #7341, and SimpleChIP® Mouse HoxD10 Exon 1 Primers #7429 in mouse brain (**B**) and using SimpleChIP® Mouse GAPDH Intron 2 Primers #8986, SimpleChIP® Mouse AFM Intron 2 Primers #7269, SimpleChIP® Mouse HoxA1 Promoter Primers #7341, and SimpleChIP® Mouse HoxD10 Exon 1 Primers #7341, and SimpleChIP® Mouse HoxD10 Exon 1 Primers #7429 in mouse brain (**B**) and using SimpleChIP® Mouse GAPDH Intron 2 Primers #7429 in mouse AFM Intron 2 Primers #7269, SimpleChIP® Mouse HoxA1 Promoter Primers #7341, and SimpleChIP® Mouse HoxD10 Exon 1 Primers #7429 in mouse biver (**C**). The amount of immunoprecipitated DNA in each sample is represented as signal relative to the total amount of input chromatin (equivalent to 1).



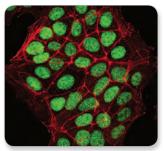
Non-phospho (Active) β-Catenin (Ser33/37/Thr41) (D13A1) Rabbit mAb #8814: ChIP was performed with cross-linked chromatin from 4 x 10⁶ HCT116 cells and either 10 µl of TCF4 (C48H11) Rabbit mAb #2569 or 5 µl of #8814, using SimpleChIP® Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9003. DNA Libraries were prepared from 5ng enriched ChIP DNA using NEBNext® Ultra[™] II DNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina®, and sequenced on the Illumina NextSeq. TCF4 and β-Catenin are known to associate with each other on chromatin. The figure shows binding of both TCF4 and β-Catenin across chromosome 4 (upper), including CAMK2D (lower), a known target gene of both TCF4 and β-Catenin.

Wnt/β-Catenin Signaling Pathway



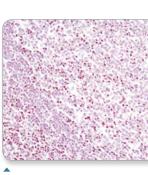
The Whts comprise a family of secreted glycoproteins that bind to cell surface receptors and activate intracellular signaling pathways.¹ Wht signaling is mediated through the canonical β -catenin pathway, the non-canonical planar cell polarity pathways, and the non-canonical Wht/calcium pathway. Among these, the canonical Wht/ β -catenin signaling pathway is most frequently implicated in cancer!² Canonical Wht signaling regulates myriad developmental and homeostatic functions, including cell proliferation, differentiation, and fate determination! Wht/ β -catenin signaling also plays a vital role in promoting self-renewal and pluripotency of stem and progenitor cells during both embryonic development and adult tissue homeostasis³ In canonical Wht signaling, β -catenin functions as a co-activator of the TCF/LEF family of transcription factors that regulate the expression of Wht target genes. Mutations in β -catenin, or proteins that regulate β -catenin stability, lead to increased levels of nuclear β -catenin, and the activation of Wht target genes, thereby predisposing cells to tumorigenesis? Elevated Wht signaling has been reported to enhance tumorigenesis by promoting cellular proliferation and EMT, thereby driving metastasis⁴. In addition, loss of function mutations or epigenetic silencing of genes repressing the Wht/ β -catenin signaling pathway have been implicated by research studies in the development of cancer, making this signaling pathway an attractive therapeutic target^{5,6}

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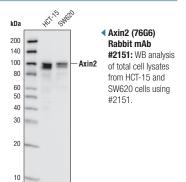


IEF1 (C12A5) Rabbit mAb #2230: Confocal IF analysis of HCT-15 cells using #2230 (green). Actin filaments have been labeled with DyLight™ 554 Phalloidin #13054 (red).

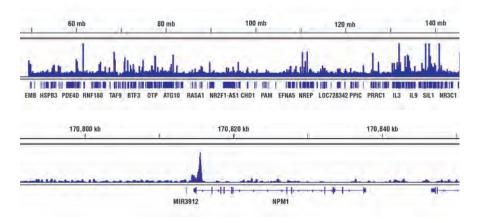
Non-phospho (Active) β-Catenin (Ser45) (D2U8Y) XP[®] Rabbit mAb #19807: IHC analysis of paraffin-embedded Apc (Min/+) mouse intestinal adenoma using #19807.



TCF1/TCF7 (C63D9) Rabbit mAb #2203: IHC analysis of paraffin-embedded human tonsil using #2203.



QUANTITATIVE ASSAYS



c-Myc (D3N8F) Rabbit mAb #13987 Normal Rabbit IgG #2729 0.04 0.035 0.025 0.025 0.015 0.015 0.015 0.015 0.005 0.017 0.005 0.017 0.005 0.017 0.005 0.027 0.017 0.027 0.00

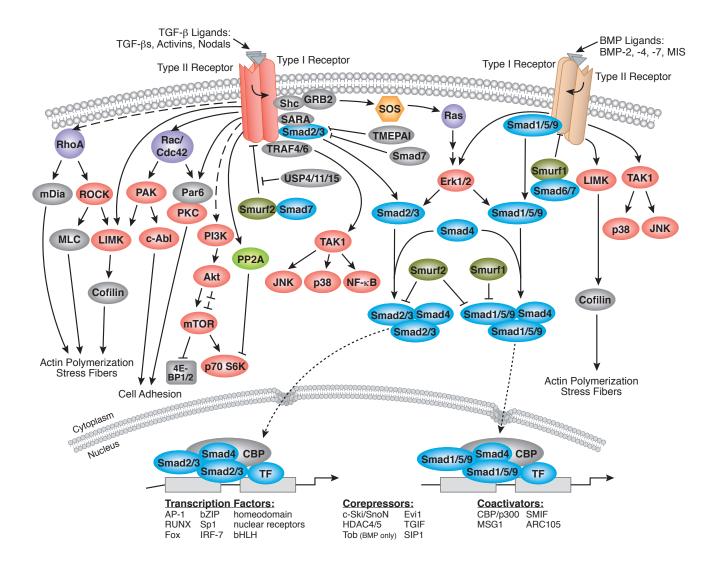
c-Myc (D3N8F) Rabbit mAb #13987: ChIP was performed with cross-linked chromatin from 4 x 10⁶ Daudi cells and either 10 µl of #13987 or 2 µl of Normal Rabbit IgG #2729 using SimpleChIP[®] Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9003. The enriched DNA was quantified by real-time PCR using human ATF4 promoter primers, SimpleChIP[®] Human NPM1 Intron 1 Primers #4779, and SimpleChIP[®] Human a Satellite Repeat Primers #4486. The amount of immunoprecipitated DNA in each sample is represented as signal relative to the total amount of input chromatin, which is equivalent to one.

c-Myc (D3N8F) Rabbit mAb #13987: ChIP was performed with cross-linked chromatin from 4 x 10⁶ Daudi cells and 10 µl of #13987 using SimpleChIP[®] Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9003. DNA Libraries were prepared from 5 ng enriched ChIP DNA using NEBNext[®] Ultra[™] II DNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina[®], and sequenced on the Illumina NextSeq. The figure shows binding across chromosome 5 (upper), including NPM1 (lower), a known target gene of c-Myc.

WNT/β-CATENIN SIGNALING PATHWAY TARGETS

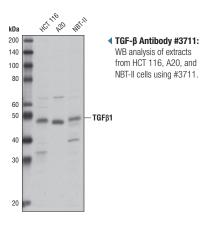
Axin: 1, 2	α-E-Catenin	LEF1	Sox17
BCL9	Phospho-α-E-Catenin: (Ser652),	LRP: 5, 6	TCF: 3, 4, 7
Phospho-BCL9L (Ser915)	(Ser655/Thr658)	Phospho-LRP6 (Ser1490)	TLE1/2/3/4
CACYBP	α-N-Catenin	MITF	WIF1
β-Catenin	CDC73	Naked: 1, 2	Wnt: 3a, 5a, 5a/5b
Acetyl-β-Catenin (Lys49)	CK1	NDRG2	WTX
Non-phospho (Active) β-Catenin: (Ser33/Ser37/Thr41), (Thr41/Ser45)	DIXDC1	PTK7	
	DKK: 1, 2	Scribble	
Phospho-β-Catenin: (Ser33/Ser37),	Dvl: 2, 3	Phospho-Scribble (Ser1220)	
(Ser33/Ser37/Thr41), (Ser37/Thr41/ Ser45), (Ser552), (Ser675)	Frizzled: 5, 6	SFRP1	

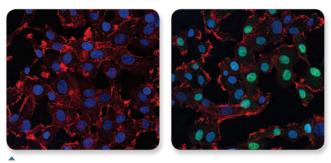
TGF-β/Smad Signaling Pathway



Transforming growth factor- β (TGF β) superfamily signaling plays a critical role in a wide range of biological processes, including cell growth, differentiation, and development. In general, signaling is initiated by the binding of the ligand to the TGF β receptor Type II and recruitment and activation of the TGF β receptor Type I.¹ This enables the recruitment and phosphorylation of the receptor-regulated SMADs (R-SMADs), which are distinct for each ligand/receptor class^{1,2} The activation of R-SMADS triggers them to form complexes with the co-SMAD, SMAD4, and subsequent translocation of the SMAD complex to the nucleus. Activated SMADs regulate diverse biological effects by partnering with transcription factors resulting in cell-state specific modulation of transcription^{2,3} The stability of TGF β receptors and/or Smads is regulated by Smurf E3 ubiquitin ligases and USP4/11/15 deubiquitinases⁴ Disruption of the TGF β pathway has critical roles in tumor initiation and development, induction of EMT, and metastasis. TGF β signaling also plays an important role in maintaining immune homeostasis and modulating the tumor microenvironment^{5,6} Thus, the TGF β signaling pathway is a promising therapeutic target for cancer therapy.

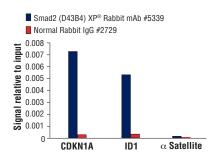
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Phospho-Smad1 (Ser463/465)/ Smad5 (Ser463/465)/ Smad9 (Ser465/467) (D5B10) Rabbit mAb #13820: Confocal IF analysis of HT-1080 cells, serum-starved (overnight; left) or serum-starved and treated with Human BMP2 #4697 (50 ng/ml, 30 min; right), using #13820 (green) and β-Actin (13E5) Rabbit mAb (Alexa Fluor® 647 Conjugate) #8584 (red). Blue pseudocolor = Propidium Iodide (PI)/RNase Staining Solution #4087.

QUANTITATIVE ASSAYS

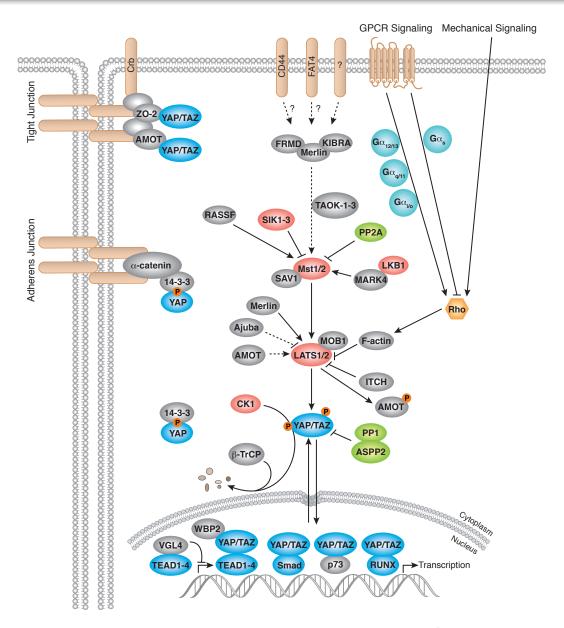


Smad2 (D43B4) XP[®] Rabbit mAb #5339: ChIP was performed with cross-linked chromatin from 4 x 10⁶ HaCaT cells treated with Human TGF-β3 #8425 (7 ng/ml) for 1 h and either 10 µl of #5339 or 2 µl of Normal Rabbit IgG #2729 using SimpleChIP[®] Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9003. The enriched DNA was quantified by real-time PCR using SimpleChIP[®] Human CDKN1A Intron 1 Primers #4669, SimpleChIP[®] Human ID1 Promoter Primers #5139, and SimpleChIP[®] Human a Gatellite Repeat Primers #4486. The amount of input chromatin, which is equivalent to one.

TGF-β/SMAD SIGNALING PATHWAY TARGETS

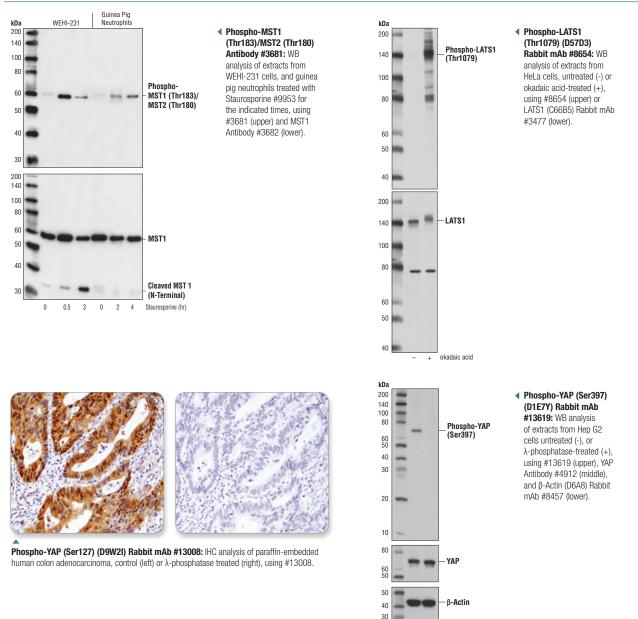
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BMP: 4, 6, 7	Mic1	Phospho-Smad 1/5 (Ser463/Ser465)	Ser425), (Ser423/Ser425)	
BMPR2	MISR2	Phospho-Smad 1 (Ser463/Ser465)/	Smurf: 1, 2	
Brachyury	NFI-C	Smad5 (Ser463/Ser465)/Smad9	SnoN	
Endoglin	PINCH	(Ser426/Ser428)	TGF-a	
Endoglin (mouse specific)	Sara	Phospho-Smad 2: (Ser245/Ser250/ Ser255), (Ser465/Ser467)	TGF-β 1/2/3	
			- TGFβ Receptor: I, II, III	
Gremlin	Smad: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Phospho-Smad 2 (Ser465/Ser467)/		
Hic-5	Smad 2/3	Smad3 (Ser423/Ser425)		

Hippo Signaling Pathway

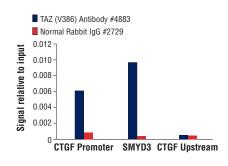


Hippo signaling is an evolutionarily conserved pathway that controls organ size by regulating cell proliferation and cell death¹ in response to multiple factors, including cell density, mechanical sensation, and G-protein-coupled receptor (GPCR) signaling? Core to the Hippo pathway is a kinase cascade, wherein MST1/2 (ortholog of *Drosophila* Hippo) kinases and SAV1 form a complex to phosphorylate and activate LATS1/2 kinases. LATS1/2 in turn phosphorylates the transcriptional coactivators YAP and TAZ, leading to their functional inhibition through multiple mechanisms, including proteosomal degradation. These two major downstream effectors of the Hippo pathway are widely activated in human malignancies³ YAP and TAZ interact with TEAD transcription factors to coactivate expression of target genes that promote cell proliferation^{4,5}. Activation of YAP/TAZ induces cancer stem cell attributes and has been shown to be essential in metastasis⁶. The Hippo pathway is only one of the tumor suppressor pathways regulating YAP/TAZ in normal tissues. Others, including Wnt, Notch, and TGFβ, may also converge with YAP/TAZ on multiple levels^{5,7}. Dysregulation of the Hippo pathway promising therapeutic targets^{7,8}.

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QUANTITATIVE ASSAYS



TAZ (V386) Antibody #4883: ChIP was performed with cross-linked chromatin from 4 x 10⁶ NCI-2052 cells and either 10 µl of #4883 or 2 µl of Normal Rabbit IgG #2729 using Simple-ChIP® Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9003. The enriched DNA was quantified by real-time PCR using SimpleChIP® Human CTGF Promoter Primers #14927, human SMYD3 intron 2 primers, and SimpleChIP® Human CTGF Upstream Primers #14928. The amount of immunoprecipitated DNA in each sample is represented as signal relative to the total amount of input chromatin, which is equivalent to one.

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Hippo Signaling Pathway

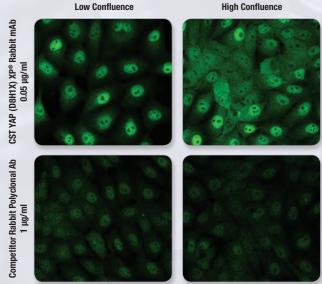
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Use an antibody that works.

YAP (D8H1X) XP[®] Rabbit mAb #14074 does not stain the nucleolus of murine cells like the competitor antibody, demonstrating superior specificity.

MCF10A Human Mammary Epithelial Cells

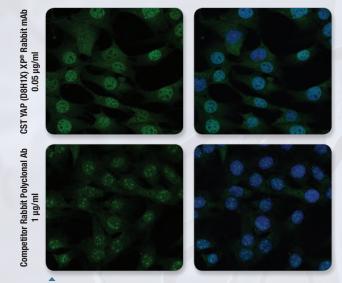
High Confluence



C2C12 Mouse Myoblast Cells

YAP

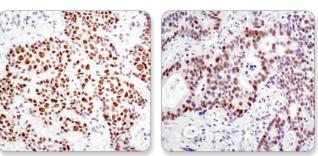
YAP (green) + DRAQ5® #4084 fluorescent DNA(blue)



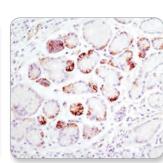
YAP (D8H1X) XP® Rabbit mAb #14074: IF-IC analysis of MCF10A (upper) and C2C12 (lower) cells using #14074 and an antibody from another company.

HIPPO SIGNALING PATHWAY TARGETS

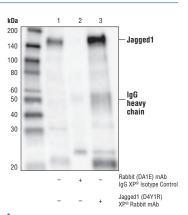
Ajuba	LATS2	Phospho-MST1 (Thr183)/MST2	TEAD3	
FRMD6	LIMD1	(Thr180)	Pan-TEAD	
ITCH		PTPN14	YAP	
KIBRA	MOB1	SAV1	Phospho-YAP: (Ser127), (Ser397)	
LATS1	Phospho-MOB1: (Thr12), (Thr35)	Scribble	YAP/TAZ	
Phospho-LATS1: (Ser909), (Thr1079)	MST: 1, 2	TAZ	WBP2	



HES1 (D6P2U) Rabbit mAb #11988: IHC analysis of paraffin-embedded human breast carcinoma (left) and paraffin-embedded human lung carcinoma (right) using #11988.

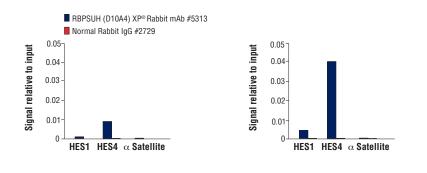


Notch1 (D1E11) XP[®] Rabbit mAb #3608: IHC analysis of paraffin-embedded human stomach adjacent to MALT (mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue) lymphoma using #3608.



Jagged1 (D4Y1R) XP® Rabbit mAb #70109: IP of Jagged1 protein from HT-29 cell extracts. Lane 1 is 10% input, lane 2 is Rabbit (DA1E) XP® IgG Isotype Control #3900, and lane 3 is #70109. WB analysis was performed using #70109.

QUANTITATIVE ASSAYS

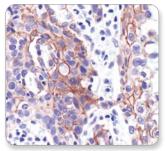


Cleaved Notch1 (Val1744) (D3B8) Rabbit mAb #4147 Normal Rabbit IgG #2729 0.030 0.030 Signal relative to input Signal relative to input 0.025 0.025 0.020 0.020 0.015 0.015 0.010 0.010 0.005 0.005 0 С HES1 HES4 α Satellite HES1 HES4 α Satellite RBPSUH (D10A4) XP® Rabbit mAb #5313: CUTLL1 cells were cultured in media with γ-secretase inhibitor (1 µM, 3 d) and then either harvested immediately (left panel) or washed and cultured in fresh media for 3 hr (right panel). ChIP was performed with cross-linked chromatin from 4 x 10⁶ cells and 10 µl of #5313 or 2 µl of Normal Rabbit IgG #2729 using SimpleChIP® Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9003. The enriched DNA was quantified by real-time PCR using human HES1 promoter primers, SimpleChIP® Human HES4 Promoter Primers #7273, and SimpleChIP® Human a Satellite Repeat Primers #4486. The amount of immunoprecipitated DNA in each sample is represented as signal relative to the total amount of input chromatin, which is equivalent to one.

Cleaved Notch1 (Val1744) (D3B8) Rabbit mAb #4147: CUTLL1 cells were cultured in media with γ-secretase inhibitor (1µM) for 3 days and then either harvested immediately (left panel) or washed and cultured in fresh media for 3hr (right panel). ChIP was performed with cross-linked chromatin from 4 x 10° cells and 2.5 µl of #4147 or 2 µl of Normal Rabbit IgG #2729 using SimpleChIP® Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kit (Magnetic Beads) #9003. The enriched DNA was quantified by realtime PCR using human HES1 promoter primers, SimpleChIP® Human HES4 Promoter Primers #7273, and SimpleChIP® Human α Satellite Repeat Primers #4486. The amount of immunoprecipitated DNA in each sample is represented as signal relative to the total amount of input chromatin, which is equivalent to one.

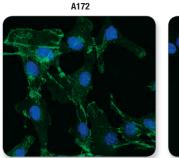
NOTCH SIGNALING PATHWAY TARGETS

Deltex-2	Jagged: 1, 2	Notch: 1, 2, 3, 4	Phospho-Numb (Ser276)
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DLL: 1, 3, 4	MAML: 1, 2	Numb	TRIB2
LEC1			



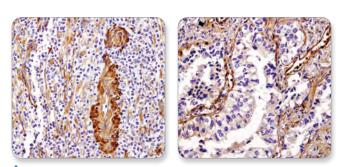


E-Cadherin (24E10) Rabbit mAb #3195: IHC analysis of paraffin-embedded human lung carcinoma (left) and paraffin-embedded mouse lung (right) using #3195.

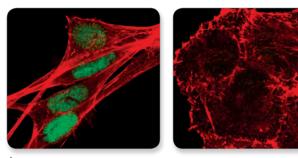


MCF7

N-Cadherin (D4R1H) XP[®] Rabbit mAb #13116: Confocal IF analysis of A172 (left, positive) and MCF7 (right, negative) cells using #13116 (green). Blue pseudocolor= DRAQ5[®] #4084 (fluorescent DNA dye).



Vinculin (E1E9V) XP[®] Rabbit mAb #13901: IHC analysis of paraffin-embedded human breast ductal carcinoma in *situ* (left) and paraffin-embedded human non-small cell lung carcinoma (right) using #13901.



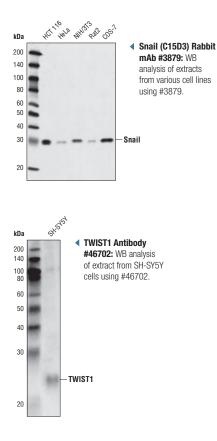
Slug (C19G7) Rabbit mAb #9585: Confocal IF analysis of A-204 cells (left, positive) and PANC-1 cells (right, negative) using #9585 (green). Actin filaments have been labeled with DyLight[™] 554 Phalloidin #13054 (red).

EMT SIGNALING IN NORMAL DEVELOPMENT AND CANCER

Epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT) is central to both developmental and pathological processes. It is an important phenomenon in normal cell differentiation during early development, but can become pathological with the reactivation of developmental programs in adults! During EMT, differentiated epithelial cells acquire mesenchymal fibroblast-like properties and display reduced intercellular adhesion and increased motility. During normal development, these cellular changes are fundamental for enabling tissue morphogenesis and are mediated by select transcription factors, including Snail, Slug, TCF8/ZEB1, and Twist? Each of these factors is regulated at the transcriptional, translational, and post-translational levels? Due to the acquisition of migratory, invasive, and stem cell properties, the mesenchymal state allows cells to migrate, thereby contributing to tissue morphogenesis. However, under pathological conditions, EMT-like changes can contribute to initiation of metastasis. EMT is thus utilized by malignant epithelial tumors to spread beyond their origin and can be driven by TGFβ and other pathways^{2,3,4} Reduced expression of cell adhesion molecules is a key feature of cells undergoing EMT. For example, E-cadherin is a critical component of adherens junctions and can actively suppress invasion and growth of epithelial cancers.⁵ Research studies have shown that cancer cells typically downregulate expression of E-cadherin and upregulate expression of N-cadherin.^{4,5} This is referred to as the cadherin switch and is one of the hallmarks of EMT.⁶ Understanding the molecular events that promote EMT is important in designing therapies against human cancer.

EMT SIGNALING PATHWAY TARGETS

E-Cadherin	CYR61	Integrin a5	MMP: 2, 3, 7, 9, 14	RBPSUH	Smad: 1, 2, 3, 4,	SPARC
N-Cadherin	Desmoplakin	Jagged1	Moesin	Sara	5, 8/9	TAZ
Caldesmon-1	FoxC2	Keratin 19	MTI-MMP	PAI-1	Smurf: 1, 2	TCF4
β-Catenin	GLI: 1, 2	LEF1	Notch1	Shh	Snai1	TCF8/ZEB1
Caveolin-2	GSK-3β	MITF	PTCH: 1, 2	Slug	Sox: 9, 10	TEAD: 1, 3



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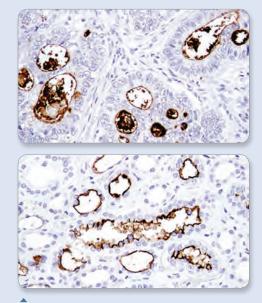
Pan-TEAD	Wnt5: a, b
TGF-β 1/2/3	YAP
TIMP1	Zyxin
Twist1	
Vimentin	

Cancer Stem Cells

The growth and maintenance of some tumor types is hypothesized to be driven by a self-renewing population of tumor-initiating cells, termed cancer stem cells (CSCs)! While the precise origins of CSCs have been a source of considerable debate, research studies increasingly support a role for CSCs in tumor progression, including the development of tumor heterogeneity, which represents a significant therapeutic obstacle in oncology.^{1,2} Moreover, many putative CSCs exhibit resistance to traditional therapies, thereby promoting tumor recurrence following cessation of treatment?,3 Studies focused on identifying and characterizing the origin, behavior, and regulation of CSCs could therefore contribute to the development of novel anti-tumor therapies that deliver sustained positive outcomes.

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CD133 (D4W4N) XP® Rabbit mAb #86781: IHC analysis of paraffin-embedded human colon carcinoma (upper) and paraffinembedded human kidney (lower) using #86781.

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#3570	CD44 (156-3C11) Mouse mAb
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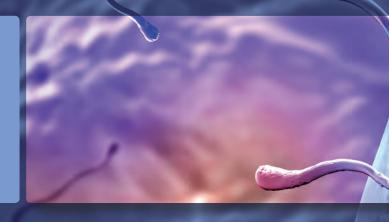


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