T-Cell Co-Stimulation/-Inhibition: The B7 Family & Associated Molecules

The spectrum of B7 family co-regulatory molecules has expanded since the original members, B7-1 (CD80) and B7-2 (CD86), were described. It now includes seven members with roles inside and outside of lymphoid tissues, PD-L1 (B7-H1) and PD-L2 (B7-DC) play important roles in regulating T cell activation and tolerance by delivering mainly inhibitory signals through T cell programmed death-1 (PD-1). B7-H2 (B7h, ICOSL) is a ligand for inducible co-stimulator (ICOS), an effector of T cell responses and T cell-dependent B cell responses. ICOS engagement stimulates the production of cytokines including IL-10, indicating B7-H2 might influence CD4+CD25+T regulatory cells, tolerance, and autoimmunity. Two more B7 homologs, B7-H3 and B7-H4 (B7x, B7-S1), bind to and influence activated T cells, although the receptors they engage are not yet known. B7-H3 shows both stimulatory and inhibitory actions, while B7-H4 is an unequivocal negative regulator of T cell responses. B7-1 and B7-2 act through CD28 as co-stimulators and CTLA-4 as a co-inhibitor.

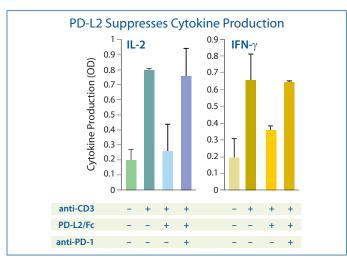


Figure 1. The co-inhibitory ligand PD-L2 suppresses cytokine production in stimulated T cells. PHA human T cell blasts were stimulated with an anti-CD3 antibody, or stimulated with anti-CD3 supplemented with R&D Systems recombinant PD-L2/Fc chimera (Catalog # 1224-PL), or treated with anti-CD3, recombinant PD-L2/Fc, and R&D Systems human anti-PD-1 monoclonal antibody (Catalog # MAB1086). After a 2 day incubation, supernatants were collected and assessed using R&D Systems IL-2 (Catalog # D250) or IFN-y (Catalog # D1F50) Quantikine* ELISA kits. Cytokine stimulation is suppressed by PD-L2, which is in turn inhibited by a blocking antibody to its records PD-1

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CD58/LFA-3 in Human Tonsil

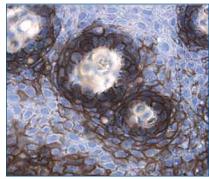


Figure 2. Detection of CD58 in paraffin-embedded human tissue sections R&D Systems anti-human CD58 affinity-purified polyclonal antibody (Catalog # AF1689). Tissues were stained using anti-goat HRP-DAB Cell and Tissue Staining Kit (brown; Catalog # CTS008) and counterstained with hematoxylin (blue).

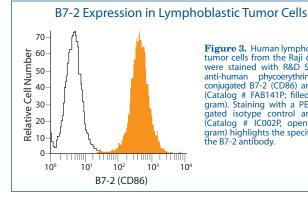


Figure 3. Human lymphoblastic tumor cells from the Raii cell line were stained with R&D Systems anti-human phycoerythrin (PE)-conjugated B7-2 (CD86) antibody (Catalog # FAB141P; filled histogram). Staining with a PE-conju-gated isotype control antibody (Catalog # IC002P, open histo-gram) highlights the specificity of the B7-2 antibody.

Co-Stimulation/Co-Inhibition Research Reagents				
MOLECULE	ANTIBODIES	PROTEINS	ELISAs/ASSAYS	PRIMER PAIRS
2B4/SLAMF4	H M	нм		
4-1BB/TNFRSF9	H M	нм	H M	
4-1BB Ligand/TNFSF9	нм	нм		
B7-1/CD80	H M R	H M R	H M	
B7-2/CD86	H M R	H M R		
B7-H1/PD-L1	нм	нм		
B7-H2	нм	нм		
B7-H3	H M	нм		
B7-H4	M	M		
BLAME/SLAMF8	н м			
BTLA	H M			
CD2F-10/SLAMF9	M			
CD27/TNFRSF7	нм	нм	М	Н
CD27 Ligand/TNFSF7	нм	M	M	M
CD28	нм	нм		
CD30/TNFRSF8	н м	нм	M	H M R
CD30 Ligand/TNFSF8	нм	нм	M	Н
CD40/TNFRSF5	нм	нм	M	Н
CD40 Ligand/TNFSFS	нм	нм	H M	H M R
CD48/SLAMF2	нм	нм		
CD58/LFA-3	Н	Н		
CD84/SLAMF5	Н	Н		
CD229/SLAMF3	H M			
CRACC/SLAMF7	Н			
CTLA-4	нм	нм		
GITR/TNFRSF18	нм	нм	H M	Н
GITR Ligand/TNFSF18	нм	нм	Н	
HVEM/TNFRSF14	н м	Н		
ICOS	нм	нм		
LAG-3	нм	Н		
LIGHT/TNFSF14	нм	нм	Н	Н
NTB-A/SLAMF6	Н			
OX40/TNFRSF4	M	нм		
OX40 Ligand/TNFSF4	нм	нм	Н	
PD-1	H M	нм		
PD-L2	нм	нм		
SLAM	Н			
TIM-1/KIM-1/HAVCR	H M R	H M R		
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