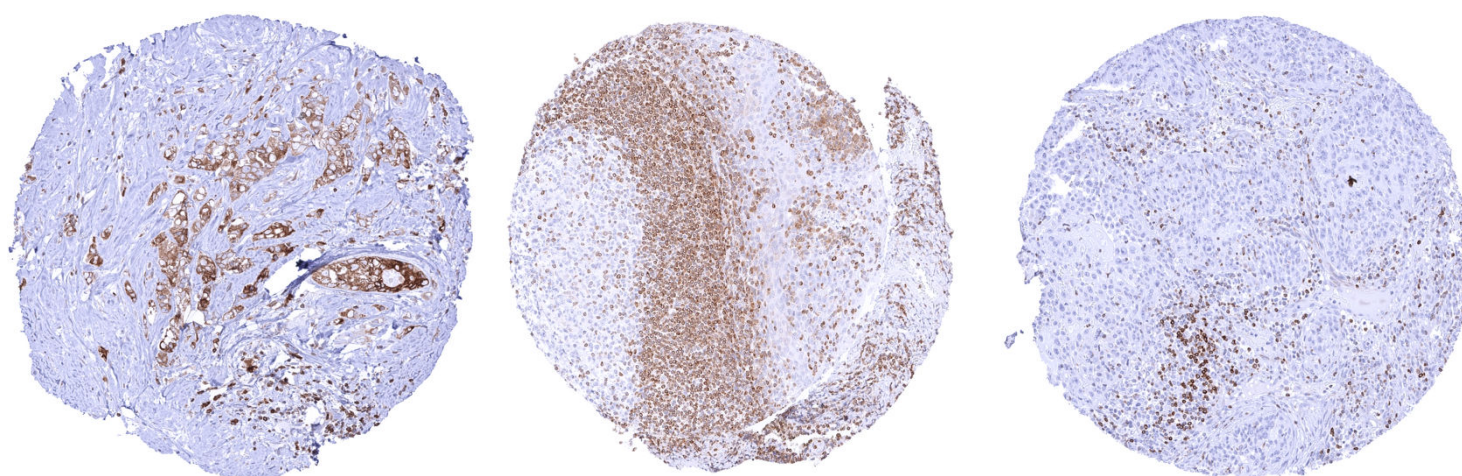


Anti- Bcl-2 Antibody MSVA-402M/ Recombinant Mouse monoclonal

Human SwissProt	P10415
Human Gene Symbol	Bcl-2
Synonyms	Apoptosis regulator Bcl-2, B-cell CLL/lymphoma-2
Specificity	Bcl-2
Immunogen	Recombinant human Bcl-2 fragment
Isotype	Mouse / IgG1, kappa
Species Reactivity	Human

Localization	Cytoplasmic
Storage & Stability	Antibody with azide – store at 2 to 8 C. Antibody without azide – store at -20 to -80 C. Antibody is stable for 24 months. Non-hazardous. No MSD required.
Supplied As	Purified antibody from Bioreactor Concentrate by Protein A/G. Prepared in 10mM PBS with <1% BSA & <0.1% azide. Antibody concentrate is optimized for dilution within dilution range using commercially available antibody diluent for IHC.
Positive Control	Tonsil: A strong cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining should be seen in most interfollicular lymphocytes while most germinal centre cells are bcl-2 negative.
Negative Control	Tonsil: The vast majority of lymphocytic cells from germinal centres must be bcl-2 negative while interfollicular lymphocytes are mostly positive.



Biology

Bcl-2 (B-cell lymphoma 2) is the founding member of the bcl-2 family of proteins which all have a role in regulating apoptosis. Bcl-2 is a potent inhibitor of apoptosis. The protein is located at the outer membrane of mitochondria, where it inhibits the activity of pro-apoptotic proteins which often act at the mitochondrial membrane to promote its permeabilization. Bcl-2 is expressed in a broad range of different tissues and cell types. It is especially high in a large fraction of “non germinal centre” lymphocytic cells, ovarian stroma, and the thyroid. Considering the pivotal importance of apoptosis for the homeostasis of all tissues, bcl-2 has a role in many disease types including neurodegenerative, cardiovascular, autoimmune, infectious diseases, and cancer. Alterations of the bcl-2 gene have been identified as a key driving event in cancer where high bcl-2 expression is a cause for poor prognosis and resistance to cancer treatments. Bcl-2 expression of variable intensity can occur in all types of cancer. It is particularly common in follicular lymphoma. Bcl-2 is an emerging drug target. Venetoclax, a bcl-2 specific small inhibiting molecule, has been approved for the treatment of several neoplasms of hematopoietic and lymphatic tissues.

Potential Research Applications

-The prevalence and clinical significance of bcl-2 expression in different cancer types is insufficiently explored.

- The role of bcl-2 in cells of the tumor microenvironment and its potential inhibition needs to be investigated.
- The potential of bcl-2 inhibition in subtypes of solid cancers needs to be investigated.
- The role of bcl-2 and its inhibition in neurodegenerative, cardiovascular, autoimmune, and infectious diseases needs to be explored.

Protocol Suggestions

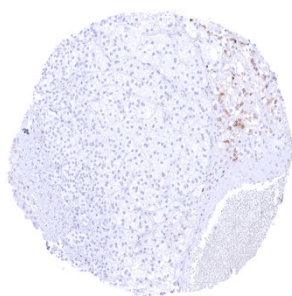
Dilution: 1:100 - 1:200; pH 7,8 is optimal. Freshly cut sections should be used (more than 10 days between cutting and staining deteriorates staining intensity for most antibodies in IHC).

Limitations

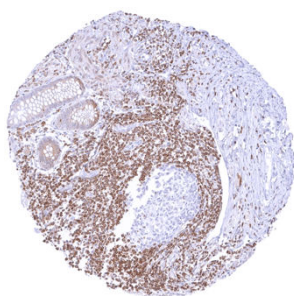
This antibody is available for **research use only** and is not approved for use in diagnostics.

Warranty

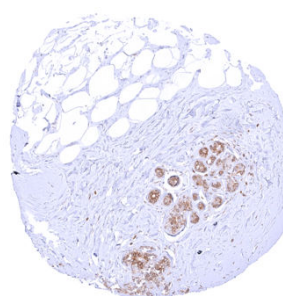
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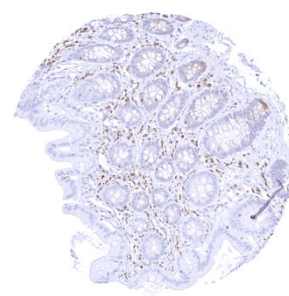
Adrenal gland – Moderate cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining of medullary cells while cortical cells are negative.



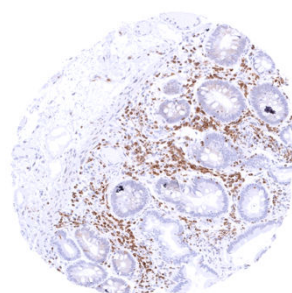
Appendix, mucosa – Cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining is largely limited to lymphocytic infiltrates.



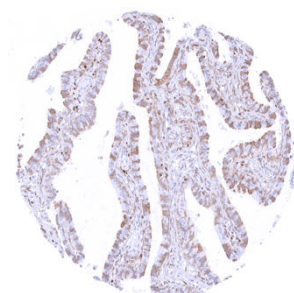
Breast – Distinct cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining of epithelial cells with high nuclear-to-cytoplasmic ratio.



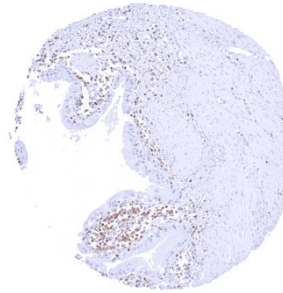
Colon descendens, mucosa



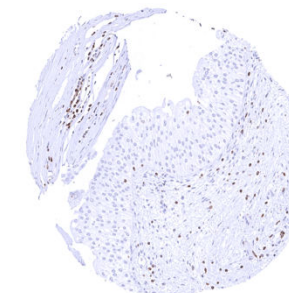
Duodenum, mucosa – Cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining is largely limited to lymphocytes.



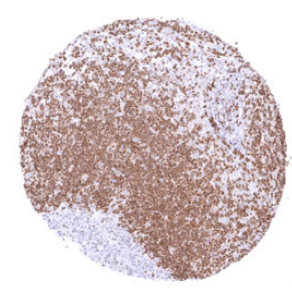
Fallopian tube, mucosa – Strong cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining of a subset of epithelial cells.



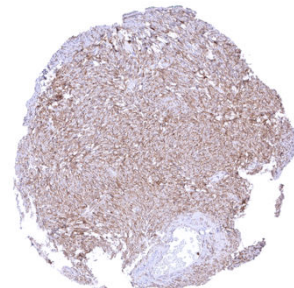
Gallbladder, epithelium



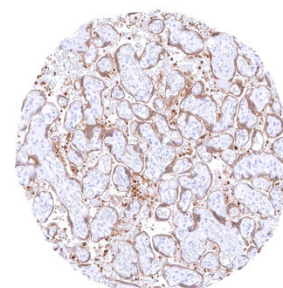
Kidney, pelvis, urothelium



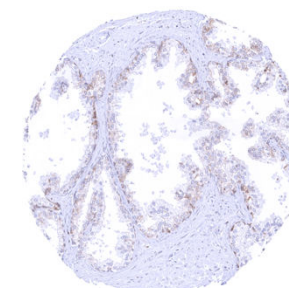
Lymph node – Strong bcl-2 positivity of a large fraction of lymphocytic cells in the interfollicular area and around germinal centres while almost all cells in germinal centres are bcl-2 negative.



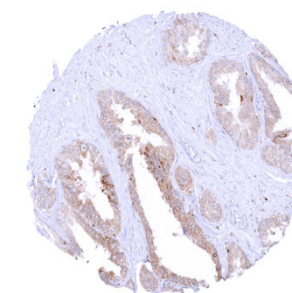
Ovary, stroma – Strong cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining of stroma cells.



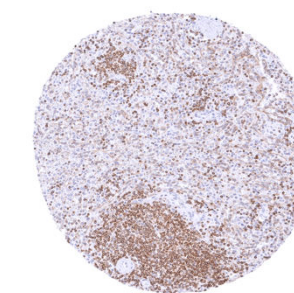
Placenta, mature – Moderate to strong cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining of trophoblast cells.



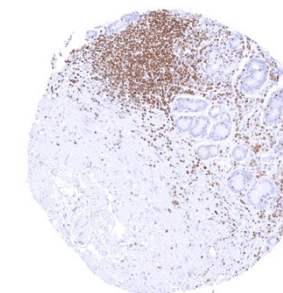
Prostate – Weak to moderate bcl-2 staining of a fraction of basal cells.



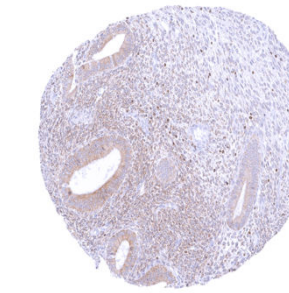
Seminal vesicle – Moderate to strong bcl-2 staining of epithelial cells.



Spleen – Strong bcl-2 positivity of the lymphocytes of the white pulp and of a small fraction of red pulp cells.



Stomach, antrum – The epithelium is bcl-2 negative. Bcl-2 staining is limited to the lamina propria.



Uterus, endometrium (proliferation) – Weak to moderate cytoplasmic bcl-2 staining of epithelial and stromal cells.