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# Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank

A National Resource created by the NIH

David R. Soll, Director

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A special Letter from the Director

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*Dear DSHB Customer,*

In June we asked DSHB customers and friends to help us assess mAbs from a collection of 1,539 hybridomas generated by the Protein Capture Reagents Program (PCRP) of the NIH Common Fund. Your response was excellent and for the most part, the mAbs proved valuable. In that pursuit, we provided one extra PCRP mAb for free per customer for each PCRP ordered. Again you may be able to help us with a new collection from the Affinomics Protein Binder Project, a collaborative effort of institutions across Europe. Affinomics has provided us with 839 hybridomas producing mAbs against 131 targets. They were generated for the most part against full length proteins. The selection of targets by Affinomics complements that of the PCRP collection and the CPTC collection generated by the NCI. The majority of targets of the Affinomics collection are human protein kinases, including oncogenes, DNA modifying enzymes, protein tyrosine phosphatases and SH2 domain-containing proteins. The expense of generating this collection by the EU 7th Framework Program was quite high, as was the expense of preparing them for distribution by the DSHB. Please try one or more of the mAbs in the Affinomics collection. Purchase one AFFN in-stock supernatant at cost (\$40) and get one for free. Right now we have 137 mAbs against 80 targets ready for distribution and continue to increase that number to cover all 131 targets. Each researcher can obtain one free AFFN sample in stock for each AFFN sample purchased, for up to 10 different samples. Write "FREEAFFN" on your faxed or emailed order. For online orders, reply to the email confirmation we send, to add your free sample(s). This offer is only for AFFN supernatants in stock and is good through February 18, 2018. Just let us know how the AFFN mAbs work. I hope many of you can help. Remember, the DSHB sells at cost, on average at one-fifth to one-tenth commercial price and charges only \$20 for shipping in the United States, rather than \$40 to \$50. As a self-funded National Resource, we remain faithful to our original mission formulated 32 years ago, namely, to facilitate basic research.

[To see a list of the AFFN collection we have in stock, click here.](#)

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. R. Soll". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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