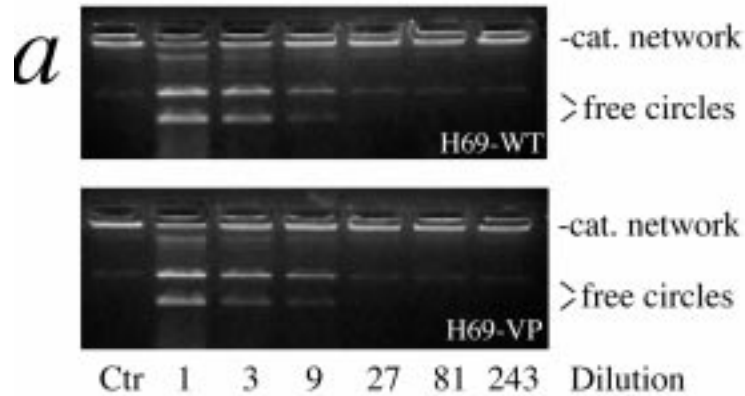
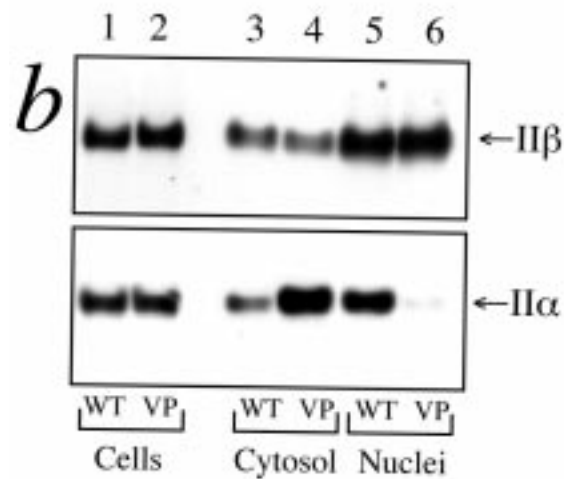


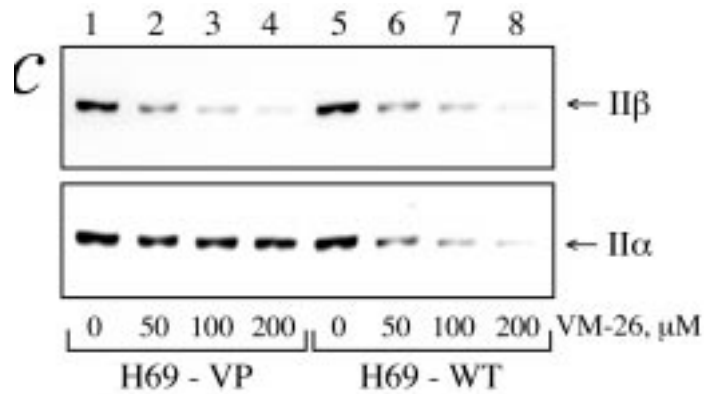
**Figure 2**  
**Biochemical characterization of DNA topoisomerase II $\alpha$  and II $\beta$  in H69-WT and H69-VP.**



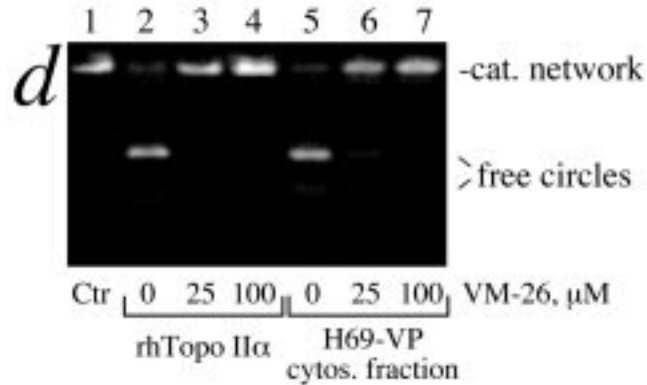
**a:** The catalytical activity of DNA topoisomerase II was studied by serial dilution of whole cell lysate (800 mM NaCl) of H69-WT (top) and H69-VP (bottom) using catenated (cat) DNA from kinetoplast of *Chrithida fasciculata*. Controls (crt) are without cell extract.



**b:** Immunoblotting of DNA topoisomerase II $\alpha$  (bottom) and II $\beta$  (top) in 800 mM NaCl extracts of whole cells lysate (lanes 1 and 2) or in the cytosolic fractions (lanes 3 and 4) or in isolated nuclei (lanes 5 and 6) of H69-WT (lanes 1, 3 and 5) and H69-VP (lanes 2, 4 and 6).



**c:** Immuno-band-depletion of DNA topoisomerase II $\alpha$  (bottom) and II $\beta$  (top) of H69-WT (lanes 6-8) and H69-VP (lanes 2-4) after treatment with increasing concentration of VM-26 (50, 100 and 200  $\mu$ M) for 1 h at 37°C. Each lane shown the equivalent of 5 x 10<sup>5</sup> cells and the controls without drugs treatment are shown for H69-WT (lane 5) and for H69-VP (lane 1).



**d:** The catalytical activity and drugs sensitivity of cytosolic DNA topoisomerase II $\alpha$ . The activity of the cytosolic fraction (cytos) of H69-VP (lane 5) or purified human recombinant topoisomerase II $\alpha$  (lane 2) catenated (cat) DNA from kinetoplast of *Chrithida fasciculata*. The drug effect was measured by adding 25  $\mu$ M (lanes 3 and 6) or 100  $\mu$ M VM26 (lanes 4 and 7). Control (crt) is without cell extract or enzyme.