

connexin 31.1 (C-14): sc-162710

BACKGROUND

The connexin family of proteins form hexameric complexes, called connexons, that facilitate movement of low molecular weight proteins between cells via gap junctions. Connexin proteins share a common topology of four transmembrane α -helical domains, two extracellular loops, a cytoplasmic loop and cytoplasmic N- and C-termini. Many of the key functional differences arise from specific amino acid substitutions in the most highly conserved domains; the transmembrane and extracellular regions. Connexin 31.1, Cx31.1 or Gap junction β -5 protein, is a 271 amino acid protein that is predominantly expressed in skin with lower expression in testis. Expression of connexin 31.1 is also required for normal placental development in mice. Down-regulation of the connexin 31.1 gene correlates with head and neck squamous cell carcinomas (HNSCC) and therefore it may be a potential therapeutic target.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: GJB5 (human) mapping to 1p34.3; Gjb5 (mouse) mapping to 4 D2.2.

SOURCE

connexin 31.1 (C-14) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within a C-terminal cytoplasmic domain of connexin 31.1 of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 μ g IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-162710 P, (100 μ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

STORAGE

Store at 4° C, ****DO NOT FREEZE****. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

APPLICATIONS

connexin 31.1 (C-14) is recommended for detection of connexin 31.1 of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 μ g per 100-500 μ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000); non cross-reactive with other connexin family members.

Suitable for use as control antibody for connexin 31.1 siRNA (h): sc-88186, connexin 31.1 siRNA (m): sc-142494, connexin 31.1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-88186-SH, connexin 31.1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-142494-SH, connexin 31.1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-88186-V and connexin 31.1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-142494-V.

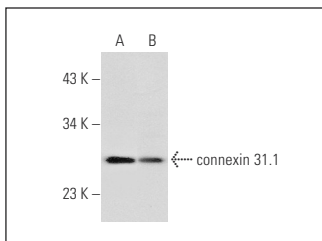
Molecular Weight of connexin 31.1: 31 kDa.

Positive Controls: Jurkat whole cell lysate: sc-2204 or K-562 whole cell lysate: sc-2203.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2020 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2033 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml). 3) Immunofluorescence: use donkey anti-goat IgG-FITC: sc-2024 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or donkey anti-goat IgG-TR: sc-2783 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

DATA



connexin 31.1 (C-14): sc-162710. Western blot analysis of connexin 31.1 expression in Jurkat (A) and K-562 (B) whole cell lysates.

RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.



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