

# Mucin 4 (H-300): sc-20117

## BACKGROUND

Mucins are a group of high molecular weight glycoproteins consisting of a mucin core protein and O-linked carbohydrates. Mucin 4, a membrane-bound mucin, is the human homolog of the rat sialomucin complex (SMC). Mucin 4 protein consists of Mucin 4 $\alpha$ , a large amino mucin type subunit, and Mucin 4 $\beta$ , a transmembrane subunit containing three EGF-like domains. The Mucin 4 gene is the predominant mucin gene expressed in the normal urothelium and is also expressed in several normal tissues such as trachea, lung and testis. Dysregulation of Mucin 4 results in high levels of expression in pancreatic tumors and tumor cell lines. Induction of Mucin 4 in pancreatic carcinoma by all-*trans*-retinoic acid is mediated through the retinoic acid receptor- $\alpha$  signaling pathway. TGF $\beta$ 2 serves as an interim mediator of this regulated expression. Alternative splicing in the 3'-end of the Mucin 4 gene generates at least 12 splice variants, which are characterized as 2 distinct types, a secreted type and a membrane-associated type. Mucin 4 protein acts as a heterodimeric bifunctional cell-surface glycoprotein and forms thick mucous effusion in the diseased middle ear.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: MUC4 (human) mapping to 3q29; Muc4 (mouse) mapping to 16 B3.

## SOURCE

Mucin 4 (H-300) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 1870-2169 mapping at the C-terminus of Mucin 4 of human origin.

## PRODUCT

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

## STORAGE

Store at 4 $^{\circ}$  C, **\*\*DO NOT FREEZE\*\***. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

## APPLICATIONS

Mucin 4 (H-300) is recommended for detection of Mucin 4 of human and, to a lesser extent, mouse and rat origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ 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).

Suitable for use as control antibody for Mucin 4 siRNA (h): sc-43163, Mucin 4 siRNA (m): sc-43164, Mucin 4 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43163-SH, Mucin 4 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-43164-SH, Mucin 4 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43163-V and Mucin 4 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43164-V.

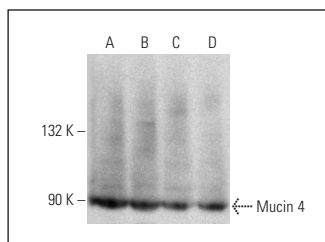
Molecular Weight of glycosylated Mucin 4: 980 kDa.

Molecular Weight of Mucin 4  $\alpha$ : 850 kDa.

Molecular Weight of Mucin 4  $\beta$ : 80 kDa.

Positive controls: MCF7 whole cell lysate: sc-2206, HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200 or SW480 cell lysate: sc-2219.

## DATA



Mucin 4 (H-300): sc-20117. Western blot analysis of Mucin 4 expression in MCF7 (A), SW480 (B), HeLa (C) and SCC-4 (D) whole cell lysates.

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## RESEARCH USE

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