

# NG2 (L-20): sc-30921

## BACKGROUND

NG2 (also known as melanoma-associated chondroitin sulfate proteoglycan 4, MCSP, MCSPG, MSK16 and MEL-CSPG) stabilizes cell-substratum interactions during early events of melanoma cell spreading on endothelial basement membranes. NG2 may facilitate primary melanoma progression by enhancing the activation of key signaling pathways important for tumor invasion and growth. Threonine 2256 phosphorylation of rat NG2 (threonine 2252 phosphorylation of human NG2) leads to redistribution of NG2 on the surface of astrocytomas, polarization of the cell and a significant increase in cell motility. NG2 acts as a co-receptor for spreading and focal contact formation in association with  $\alpha 4/\beta 1$  Integrin in malignant melanoma cells. NG2 is present on blood vessels throughout the rat embryo. Microvessels within the rat CNS express NG2 on endothelial cells, and outside the CNS, NG2 is present on smooth muscle cells. NG2 is a novel marker for epidermal stem cells that contributes to their patterned distribution by promoting stem cell clustering.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CSPG4 (human) mapping to 15q24.2; Cspg4 (mouse) mapping to 9 B.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## SOURCE

NG2 (L-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of NG2 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.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-30921 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## APPLICATIONS

NG2 (L-20) is recommended for detection of NG2 of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), 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).

NG2 (L-20) is also recommended for detection of NG2 in additional species, including equine, canine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for NG2 siRNA (h): sc-40771, NG2 siRNA (m): sc-40772, NG2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-40771-SH, NG2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-40772-SH, NG2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40771-V and NG2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40772-V.

Molecular Weight of NG2: 270-300 kDa.

Positive Controls: rat brain extract: sc-2392, SK-MEL-28 cell lysate: sc-2236 or rat thyroid extract: sc-2402.

## 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) 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.

## STORAGE

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



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