

Cytokeratin 18 (P-14): sc-31701

BACKGROUND

Cytokeratins comprise a diverse group of intermediate filament proteins (IFPs) that are expressed as pairs in both keratinized and non-keratinized epithelial tissue. Cytokeratins play a critical role in differentiation and tissue specialization and function to maintain the overall structural integrity of epithelial cells. Cytokeratins have been found to be useful markers of tissue differentiation which is directly applicable to the characterization of malignant tumors. For example, Cytokeratins 10 and 13 are expressed highly in a subset of squamous cell carcinomas while Cytokeratin 18 is expressed in a majority of adenocarcinomas and basal cell carcinomas. Cytokeratin 18 contains two major phosphorylation sites on Ser 33 and Ser 52. Phosphorylation of Ser 18 is essential for the association of cytokeratin 18 with 14-3-3 proteins and is involved in keratin organization and distribution.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: KRT18 (human) mapping to 12q13.13; Krt18 (mouse) mapping to 15 F3.

RESEARCH USE

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

SOURCE

Cytokeratin 18 (P-14) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of Cytokeratin 18 of human origin.

PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-31701 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

APPLICATIONS

Cytokeratin 18 (P-14) is recommended for detection of Cytokeratin 18 of human and, to a lesser extent, mouse and rat 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).

Cytokeratin 18 (P-14) is also recommended for detection of Cytokeratin 18 in additional species, including canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for Cytokeratin 18 siRNA (h): sc-35151, Cytokeratin 18 siRNA (m): sc-45406, Cytokeratin 18 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-35151-SH, Cytokeratin 18 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-45406-SH, Cytokeratin 18 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35151-V and Cytokeratin 18 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45406-V.

Molecular Weight of Cytokeratin 18: 45 kDa.

Positive Controls: MCF7 whole cell lysate: sc-2206, HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200 or SK-BR-3 cell lysate: sc-2218.

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.

PROTOCOLS

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