# HCAM (NKI-P2): sc-52670



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## **BACKGROUND**

Cell adhesion molecules (CAMs) are a family of closely related, cell surface glycoproteins that are involved in cell-cell interactions and are thought to play an important role in embryogenesis and development. HCAM, also known as CD44, LHR, MDU2, MDU3, MIC4, Pgp1, HCELL, MUTCH-I or ECMR-III, is a 742 amino acid single-pass type I membrane protein that is involved in hematopoiesis, lymphocyte activation and tumor metastasis. Functioning as a receptor for hyaluronic acid (HA) and interacting with ligands such as osteopontin (OPN), HCAM mediates both cell-cell and cell-matrix interactions, thereby playing an essential role in cell adhesion and cell migration. HCAM contains one Link domain and, due to alternative splicing events, is expressed as multiple isoforms, some of which are designated CD44R, CDw44, CD44S, CD44H (hematopoietic) and CD44E (epithelial). While most of the HCAM splice varients are expressed in tissues throughout the body, one specific isoform, namely CD44H, is expressed at high levels in cancer tissue, suggesting an important role for the CD44H splice varient in tumor progression.

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# CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CD44 (human) mapping to 11p13.

# SOURCE

HCAM (NKI-P2) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against immunoprecipitated LFA-I family antigen of human origin.

## **PRODUCT**

Each vial contains 100  $\mu g \; lg G_1$  in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

## **STORAGE**

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

## **APPLICATIONS**

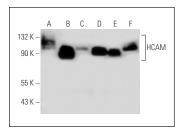
HCAM (NKI-P2) is recommended for detection of HCAM of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu g$  per 100-500  $\mu g$  of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and flow cytometry (1  $\mu g$  per 1 x  $10^6$  cells).

Suitable for use as control antibody for HCAM siRNA (h): sc-29342, HCAM shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-29342-SH and HCAM shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29342-V.

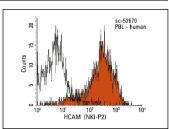
Molecular Weight of HCAM: 90-95 kDa.

Positive Controls: U-937 cell lysate: sc-2239, HL-60 whole cell lysate: sc-2209 or HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200.

## DATA







HCAM (NKI-P2): sc-52670. Indirect FCM analysis of human peripheral blood leukocytes stained with HCAM (NKI-P2), followed by PE-conjugated goat anti-mouse 1gG: sc-3738. Black line histogram represents the isotype control, normal mouse 1gG: sc-3877.

#### **RESEARCH USE**

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

## **PROTOCOLS**

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