

HCAM (VFF-7): sc-65412

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 variants 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 variant in tumor progression.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

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

SOURCE

HCAM (VFF-7) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against exon v6 on the variant portion of HCAM of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 100 µg IgG₁ in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

HCAM (VFF-7) is recommended for detection of HCAM of 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), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and flow cytometry (1 µg per 1 x 10⁶ 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: HL-60 whole cell lysate: sc-2209, HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200 or CCRF-CEM cell lysate: sc-2225.

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STORAGE

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

RESEARCH USE

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

CONJUGATES

See **HCAM (DF1485): sc-7297** for HCAM antibody conjugates, including AC, HRP, FITC, PE, and Alexa Fluor® 488, 546, 594, 647, 680 and 790.