



Cytokeratin 3 (H-99): sc-99021

BACKGROUND

Cytokeratins comprise a diverse group of intermediate filament proteins that are expressed as pairs in both keratinized and non-keratinized epithelial tissue. The Cytokeratin proteins play a critical role in differentiation, as well as tissue specialization and function, to maintain the overall structural integrity of epithelial cells. Cytokeratins are also useful markers in identifying the origin of metastatic tumors. There are two types of Cytokeratins: types I and II. Type I Cytokeratins are acidic proteins, whereas type II Cytokeratins are neutral or basic proteins. Cytokeratin 3 is a type II Cytokeratin expressed in the corneal epithelium along with Cytokeratin 12. Dominant-negative mutations in the Cytokeratin 3 and Cytokeratin 12 genes cause Meesmann corneal dystrophy (MCD), an autosomal dominant disease that is characterized by weakness of the anterior corneal epithelium.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: KRT3 (human) mapping to 12q13.13.

SOURCE

Cytokeratin 3 (H-99) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 581-629 mapping at the C-terminus of Cytokeratin 3 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.

RESEARCH USE

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

APPLICATIONS

Cytokeratin 3 (H-99) is recommended for detection of Cytokeratin 3 of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 µg per 100-500 µg 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 Cytokeratin 3 siRNA (h): sc-60500, Cytokeratin 3 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60500-SH and Cytokeratin 3 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60500-V.

Molecular Weight of Cytokeratin 3: 64 kDa.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2004 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2030 (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) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml). 3) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-FITC: sc-2012 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rabbit IgG-TR: sc-2780 (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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