

Product Information

Anti-Claudin-4

produced in rabbit, affinity isolated antibody

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Product Description

Anti-Claudin-4 is produced in rabbit using as immunogen a synthetic peptide corresponding to an internal sequence of human claudin-4 (GeneID: 1364), conjugated to KLH. The corresponding sequence is highly conserved in mouse claudin-4 (89% identity) and in rat claudin-4 (84% identity). The antibody is affinity-purified using the immunizing peptide immobilized on agarose.

Anti-Claudin-4 specifically recognizes human claudin-4. The antibody may be used in several immunochemical techniques including immunoblotting (~19 kDa). Detection of the claudin-4 band by immunoblotting is specifically inhibited by the claudin-4 immunizing peptide.

The claudins comprise a large family of highly related proteins, important in tight junctions (TJs) structure and function. TJs are crucial to form diffusion barriers and in regulating paracellular transport both in epithelium and endothelium.¹⁻³ Three classes of proteins are known to localize to TJs, including the claudins, occludin and junction adhesion molecules (JAMs). Claudins consist of four transmembrane domains and two extracellular loops, required to form tight junction strands.

Expression of claudins is often highly restricted to specific regions of different tissues and may have an important role in transcellular transport through tight junctions. Claudins are located in both epithelial and endothelial cells in tissues. Claudin-4 is heterogeneously expressed in various tissues. It is enriched in endothelial cells (ECs), including the blood-brain barrier, and is also expressed in liver, gut and kidney.^{2,3} In the kidney it is found in the renal paracellular barrier and pore, in particular as a determinant of collecting duct chloride permeability. Claudin-4 expression has been shown to be deregulated in a number of cancers, with aberrant expression in ovarian, breast, prostate and pancreatic carcinomas.^{5,6}

Reagent

Supplied as a solution in 0.01 M phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4, containing 15 mM sodium azide.

Antibody Concentration: ~1.0 mg/mL

Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

For continuous use, store at 2-8 °C for up to one month. For extended storage, freeze in working aliquots. Repeated freezing and thawing, or storage in "frost-free" freezers, is not recommended. If slight turbidity occurs upon prolonged storage, clarify the solution by centrifugation before use. Working dilutions should be discarded if not used within 12 hours.

Product Profile

Immunoblotting: a working concentration of 1.5-3.0 µg/mL is recommended using extracts of HEK-293T cells overexpressing human claudin-4.

Note: In order to obtain the best results using various techniques and preparations, we recommend determining the optimal working dilutions by titration.

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