

Rabbit anti-

VE-Cadherin

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FORM

This polyclonal antibody is supplied as a 200 µl aliquot at a concentration of 0.25 mg/ml in phosphate buffered saline (pH 7.4) containing 0.1% sodium azide. The antibody is epitope-affinity-purified from rabbit antiserum.

PAD: ZMD.277

IMMUNOGEN

Synthetic peptide derived from a C-terminal region of the human VE-cadherin (vascular endothelial cadherin, cadherin-5, CD144) protein.

SPECIFICITY

This antibody is specific for human VE-cadherin.

REACTIVITY

Reactivity has been confirmed with human PC-3 prostate adenocarcinoma cell lysates.

Sample	Western Blotting	ELISA
Human	+++	ND
Immunogen	N/A	+++

(Excellent +++, Good++, Poor +, No reactivity 0, Not applicable N/A, Not Determined ND)

USAGE

Working concentrations for specific applications should be determined by the investigator. Appropriate concentrations will be affected by several factors, including secondary antibody affinity, antigen concentration, sensitivity of detection method, temperature and length of incubations, etc. The suitability of this antibody for applications other than those listed below has not been determined. The following concentration ranges are recommended starting points for this product.

ELISA: $0.1 - 1.0 \mu g/ml$ **Western Blotting:** $1-3 \mu g/ml$

STORAGE

Store at 2-8°C for up to one month. Store at -20°C for long-term storage. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

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BACKGROUND

Vascular endothelial cadherin (VE-cadherin, cadherin-5, CD144) belongs to the cadherin family of proteins, which are calcium-dependent, protease-sensitive molecules that mediate homotypic cell-cell adhesion. Cadherins are transmembrane glycoproteins, localized at adherens junctions in cardiac cells and at intermediate junctions in intestinal epithelia. While the extracellular domain mediates interactions with adjacent cells, the intracellular domain interacts with the cytoplasmic α -, β -, and γ -catenin proteins, anchoring the cadherins to the actin cytoskeleton. Cadherin family members exhibit differential expression patterns and different cell-binding specificities; VE-cadherin is selectively expressed by the endothelial cells of most types of blood vessels, concentrated at interendothelial junctions.

VE-cadherin is the target of signaling pathways and agents such as VEGF, histamine, and thrombin, that increase vascular permeability.³ Endothelial cells containing a null mutation in the VE-cadherin gene demonstrate major alterations in functional behavior and the inability to organize vascular-like structures, highlighting the importance of VE-cadherin in the maintenance of vascular integrity and normal organ function.³ In addition, VE-cadherin expression has been identified exclusively in highly aggressive uveal melanoma cell lines as opposed to their poorly aggressive counterparts, suggesting that VE-cadherin expression may be a marker for cells that have undergone a vasculogenic switch.⁴

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