

IgM Chain C Polyclonal Antibody

Catalog # AP73957

Product Information

Application	WB, IHC-P
Primary Accession	P01871
Reactivity	Human, Mouse, Rat
Host	Rabbit
Clonality	Polyclonal
Calculated MW	51924

Additional Information

Other Names	Ig mu chain C region
Dilution	WB~~IHC-p: 100-300.WB 1:500-2000, ELISA 1:10000-20000 IHC-P~~N/A
Format	Liquid in PBS containing 50% glycerol, 0.5% BSA and 0.09% (W/V) sodium azide.
Storage Conditions	-20°C

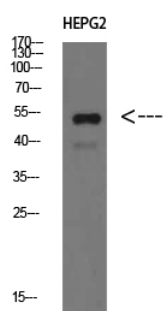
Protein Information

Name	IGHM {ECO:0000303 PubMed:11340299, ECO:0000303 Ref.14}
Function	<p>Constant region of immunoglobulin heavy chains. Immunoglobulins, also known as antibodies, are membrane-bound or secreted glycoproteins produced by B lymphocytes. In the recognition phase of humoral immunity, the membrane-bound immunoglobulins serve as receptors which, upon binding of a specific antigen, trigger the clonal expansion and differentiation of B lymphocytes into immunoglobulins- secreting plasma cells. Secreted immunoglobulins mediate the effector phase of humoral immunity, which results in the elimination of bound antigens (PubMed:20176268, PubMed:22158414). The antigen binding site is formed by the variable domain of one heavy chain, together with that of its associated light chain. Thus, each immunoglobulin has two antigen binding sites with remarkable affinity for a particular antigen. The variable domains are assembled by a process called V-(D)-J rearrangement and can then be subjected to somatic hypermutations which, after exposure to antigen and selection, allow affinity maturation for a particular antigen (PubMed:17576170, PubMed:20176268).</p>
Cellular Location	[Isoform 1]: Secreted. Note=During differentiation, B-lymphocytes switch from expression of membrane-bound IgM to secretion of IgM.

Background

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Images



Western Blot analysis of HEPG2 cells using IgM Chain C Polyclonal Antibody diluted at 1:500. Secondary antibody was diluted at 1:20000

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