

Qty: 100μg/400 μL

Rabbit anti-Connexin 40 (C-term)

Catalog No. 36-4900

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#### **FORM**

This polyclonal antibody is supplied as a 400 µL aliquot at a concentration of 0.25 mg/mL in phosphate buffered saline (pH 7.4) containing 0.1% sodium azide. This antibody is epitope-affinity purified from rabbit antiserum.

**PAD:** ZMD.323

### **IMMUNOGEN**

Synthetic peptide derived from the C-terminal region of the mouse and rat Connexin 40 (Cx40) proteins. The human sequence at this location differs by only one amino acid.

#### SPECIFICITY

This antibody reacts with the mouse Connexin 40 protein. On Western blots, it identifies the target band at ~40 kDa.

### REACTIVITY

Reactivity has been confirmed with mouse heart homogenates by Western blotting, mouse heart and lung homogenates by immunoprecipitation, and mouse heart tissue by immunohistochemistry and immunofluorescence. Cross-reactivity with rat and human Cx40 proteins is expected based on amino acid sequence homology.

Sample	Western Blotting	Immuno- histochemistry (frozen)*	Immuno- fluorescence	Immuno- precipitation
Mouse	+++	+++	+++	+++
Rat	ND	ND	ND	ND
Human	ND	ND	ND	ND

(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.

Western Blotting: 1-3 µg/mL Immunofluorescence: 1-3 µg/mL Immunohistochemistry\*: 1-3 µg/mL Immunoprecipitation: 7 µg/reaction

#### **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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<sup>\*</sup> For IHC, mice were perfused transcardially with 3 mL pre-fixative (50 mM phosphate buffer, 0.1% sodium nitrite, 1 unit/mL heparin), followed by 40 mL fixative (0.16 M sodium phosphate buffer, 0.2% picric acid, and 1-, 2-, or 4% paraformaldehyde), and perfusion with 10 mL sucrose wash (10% sucrose in 25 mM sodium phosphate buffer, pH 7.4. Tissues were then stored in cryoprotectant (10% sucrose, 25 mM phosphate buffer, pH 7.4, 0.04% sodium azide) for a minimum of 24 hours prior to sectioning.

## **BACKGROUND**

Connexin 40 (Cx40) is a gap junction protein highly expressed by vascular endothelial cells<sup>1-3</sup> and in the mammalian heart, specifically in the atrial myocardium and the His-Purkinje conduction system.<sup>4-5</sup> At least three other connexins are expressed in the heart, including Cx37 (endocardium),<sup>6</sup> Cx43 (atrial and ventricular myocardium, distal parts of the conduction system),<sup>5</sup> and Cx45 (throughout the heart).<sup>7</sup> Mice lacking the gene for Cx40 exhibit reduced atrial but normal ventricular conduction velocity;<sup>8</sup> these mice display right bundle-branch block and impaired left bundle-branch conduction.<sup>9-10</sup>

Cx40 and Cx43 frequently co-localize in cells of the cardiovascular system, <sup>11-13</sup> and participate in the formation of heterotypic gap junction channels. <sup>14-16</sup> For example, atrial myocytes express both Cx40 and Cx43, which oligomerize into the same hemichannel. <sup>17</sup> Atrial connexons consist of hexomeric connexin assemblies that contain varying proportions of Cx40 and Cx43 proteins.

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<sup>\*</sup>PAD: Polyclonal Antibody Designation

Conjugate	ZyMAX™ Goat x Rabbit IgG (H+L)	ZyMAX™ Goat x Mouse IgG (H+L)
Purified	81-6100	81-6500
FITC	81-6111	81-6511
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