

DESCRIPTION	
<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Human
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects human L1CAM in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs, approximately 10% cross-reactivity with recombinant human (rh) ICAM-2 and rhICAM-3 is observed and less than 1% cross-reactivity with rhCD31 and recombinant mouse VCAM-1 is observed.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human L1CAM Ile20-Glu1120 Accession # CAA42508
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied as a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS.

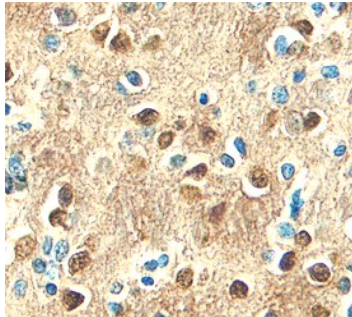
**APPLICATIONS**

**Please Note:** Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. *General Protocols* are available in the *Technical Information* section on our website.

	Recommended Concentration	Sample
<b>Western Blot</b>	0.1 µg/mL	Recombinant Human L1CAM Fc Chimera (Catalog # 777-NC)
<b>Immunohistochemistry</b>	5-15 µg/mL	See Below

**DATA**

**Immunohistochemistry**



**L1CAM in Human Brain.** L1CAM was detected in immersion fixed paraffin-embedded sections of human brain (hippocampus) using Goat Anti-Human L1CAM Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF277) at 10 µg/mL overnight at 4 °C. Before incubation with the primary antibody, tissue was subjected to heat-induced epitope retrieval using Antigen Retrieval Reagent-Basic (Catalog # CTS013). Tissue was stained using the Anti-Goat HRP-DAB Cell & Tissue Staining Kit (brown; Catalog # CTS008) and counterstained with hematoxylin (blue). Specific staining was localized to plasma membranes and cytoplasm of neurons. View our protocol for [Chromogenic IHC Staining of Paraffin-embedded Tissue Sections](#).

**PREPARATION AND STORAGE**

<b>Reconstitution</b>	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
<b>Shipping</b>	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below. *Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C
<b>Stability &amp; Storage</b>	<b>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.</li> <li>• 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> <li>• 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul>

**BACKGROUND**

L1CAM (Neural cell adhesion molecule L1, also known as L1, CD171 and NCAM-L1) is a 200-230 kDa member of the L1 family, Immunoglobulin (Ig) superfamily of molecules. L1 is recognized to play a key role in cell migration, adhesion, neurite outgrowth, myelination and neuronal differentiation. It does so through a series of *cis* and *trans* interactions that involve multiple copartners and target receptors. L1 is described as forming both homotypic and heterotypic complexes, the latter with molecules as diverse as the EGFR, NCAM, CD24, neurocan and various  $\alpha$ , plus  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_3$  integrins. Cells known to express L1 include immature oligodendrocytes, CD4<sup>+</sup> T cells, B cells and monocytes, premyelinating Schwann cells, intestinal epithelial progenitor cells, and cerebellar granule plus Purkinje cells. Mature human L1 is a 1238 amino acid (aa) type I transmembrane protein. It contains an 1101 aa extracellular region (aa 20-1120) plus a 114 aa cytoplasmic domain (aa 1144-1257). The extracellular region possesses six C2-type Ig-like domains (aa 35-607) followed by five fibronectin (FN) type III repeats (aa 612-1108). The cytoplasmic tail contains no kinase motifs, but does possess a FIGQY peptide that interacts with ankyrin, and an RSLE sequence that mediates clathrin-associated endocytosis. At least five Ser residues are known to be phosphorylated. There are two splice variants, one each in the intracellular and extracellular domain. A deletion of RSLE (aa 1177-1180) adversely affects endocytosis, while a Leu substitution for aa 26-31 interferes with numerous heterotypic interactions. In general, the full-length L1 molecule is a neuron-associated isoform. L1 is known to undergo proteolysis, either by plasmin or ADAMs. This generates soluble isoforms of varying sizes (140-200 kDa) that retain bioactivity, and which can be incorporated into the surrounding ECM. The membrane fragments (30-80 kDa) undergo further processing, most importantly by  $\gamma$ -secretase, to generate a soluble 28 kDa intracellular domain. This domain is SUMOylated, and believed to possess an NLS at Lys1147. Upon presumed entry into the nucleus, L1 is posited to activate L1-responsive genes. In the extracellular region, human and mouse L1 share 86% aa sequence identity.