

## DESCRIPTION

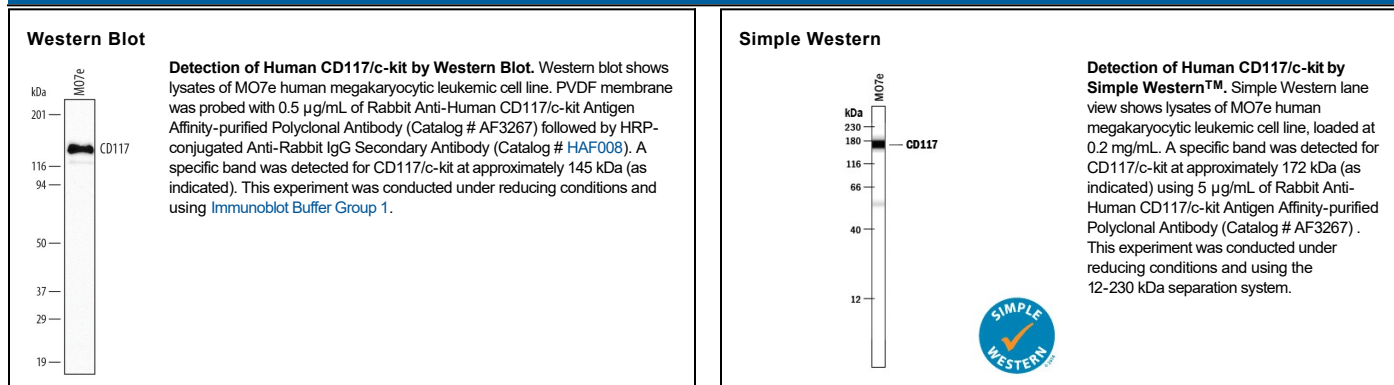
<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Human
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects human CD117/c-kit in Western blots.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Rabbit IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	Human CD117/c-kit synthetic peptide Asp716-Pro726 Accession # P10721
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied either lyophilized or 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.

	<b>Recommended Concentration</b>	<b>Sample</b>
<b>Western Blot</b>	0.5 µg/mL	See Below
<b>Immunohistochemistry</b>	5-15 µg/mL	Immersion fixed paraffin-embedded sections of human brain (cerebellum)
<b>Simple Western</b>	5 µg/mL	See Below

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## 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

Stem cell factor receptor (CD117, the gene product of the *c-kit* proto-oncogene) and its ligand, stem cell factor (also named c-kit ligand, mast cell growth factor), play essential roles in gametogenesis, melanogenesis and hematopoiesis. The human stem cell factor receptor cDNA encodes a 972 amino acid (aa) residue precursor membrane protein with a 25 aa residue signal peptide (experimentally determined), a 495 aa residue extracellular domain, a 23 aa residue transmembrane segment and a 429 aa residue cytoplasmic domain. Stem cell factor receptor is a member of the type III subfamily of receptor tyrosine kinases (RTK) that also includes the receptors for M-CSF, Flt-3, PDGF and VEGF. All class III RTKs are characterized by the presence of five immunoglobulin-like domains in their extracellular region and a split kinase domain in their intracellular region. SCF binding induces receptor homodimerization and signal transduction. SCF receptor is expressed in hematopoietic progenitor cells, normal B- and T-lymphocyte progenitor cells, mast cells, germ cells, melanocytes, neurons, glial cells, placenta, kidney, lung and gut. In addition, SCF receptor expression has also been reported in a number of human tumor cell lines. SCF receptor can be proteolytically cleaved from the cell surface and high levels of soluble SCF receptor has been detected in cell conditioned medium and human plasma. Recombinant soluble SCF receptor binds SCF with high affinity and is a potent SCF antagonist.

## References:

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