

DESCRIPTION

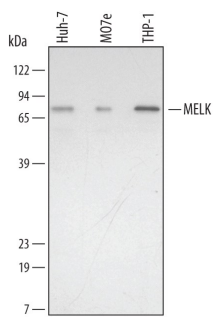
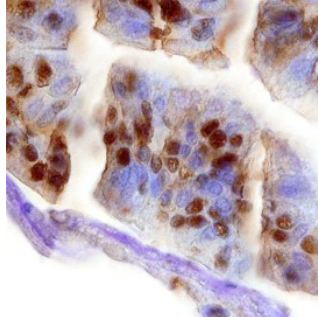
Species Reactivity	Human
Specificity	Detects human MELK in Western blots.
Source	Polyclonal Sheep IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	<i>E. coli</i> -derived recombinant human MELK Gln341-Ala470 Accession # Q14680
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. 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
Western Blot	1 µg/mL	See Below
Immunohistochemistry	5-15 µg/mL	See Below

DATA

<p>Western Blot</p>  <p>Detection of Human MELK by Western Blot. Western blot shows lysates of Huh-7 human hepatoma cell line, MO7e human megakaryocytic leukemic cell line, and THP-1 human acute monocytic leukemia cell line. PVDF membrane was probed with 1 µg/mL of Sheep Anti-Human MELK Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF4820) followed by HRP-conjugated Anti-Sheep IgG Secondary Antibody (Catalog # HAF016). A specific band was detected for MELK at approximately 74 kDa (as indicated). This experiment was conducted under reducing conditions and using Immunoblot Buffer Group 1.</p>	<p>Immunohistochemistry</p>  <p>MELK in Human Breast Cancer Tissue. MELK was detected in immersion fixed paraffin-embedded sections of human breast cancer tissue using Sheep Anti-Human MELK Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF4820) at 10 µg/mL overnight at 4 °C. Tissue was stained using the Anti-Sheep HRP-DAB Cell & Tissue Staining Kit (brown; Catalog # CTS019) and counterstained with hematoxylin (blue). Specific staining was localized to plasma membranes of glandular epithelial cells. View our protocol for Chromogenic IHC Staining of Paraffin-embedded Tissue Sections.</p>
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PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
Shipping	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
Stability & Storage	Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied. • 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution. • 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

BACKGROUND

MELK (maternal embryonic leucine zipper kinase; also HPK38) is a member of the Snf1/AMPK family of serine/threonine kinases. It is expressed in blood mononuclear cells, stem cells and other tissues, and functions in cell cycle progression and pre-mRNA splicing. Human MELK is 651 amino acids (aa) in length and contains one protein kinase domain (aa 11-263) and a kinase-associated (KA) 1 domain (aa 602-651). MELK is activated upon phosphorylation of T167 and S171. There are multiple alternative splice variants. Two show the same 16 aa substitution for the N-terminal 87 and 48 aa, respectively; a third shows an alternate start site at M440, and a fourth shows complex splicing over aa 1-392. Over aa 341-470, human MELK shares 56% aa identity with mouse MELK.