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# **Product Information**

#### Anti-CD40 Ligand

produced in goat, affinity isolated antibody

Catalog Number C6487

#### **Product Description**

Anti-CD40 Ligand (CD40L) is produced in goat using purified recombinant human CD40 ligand extracellular domain expressed in *Escherichia coli* as immunogen. Affinity isolated antibody is obtained from goat anti-CD40L antiserum by immuno-specific purification which removes essentially all goat serum proteins, including immunoglobulins, which do not specifically bind to the peptide.

Anti-CD40 Ligand recognizes recombinant human CD40 ligand by ELISA and immunoblotting.

CD40 ligand (also known as CD154, TRAP, or gp39) is a 261 amino acid type II transmembrane glycoprotein belonging to the tumor necrosis factor (TNF) superfamily.<sup>1-3</sup> CD40L is expressed predominantly on activated CD4<sup>+</sup> T lymphocytes. It is also found in other cell types (NK cells, mast cells, basophils, and eosinophils). Human and mouse CD40L share ~78% sequence identity. The receptor for CD40L is CD40. CD40, a type I transmembrane glycoprotein belonging to the TNF receptor family, is expressed on B lymphocytes, monocytes, dendritic cells, and thymic epithelium.<sup>1-4</sup>

Following interaction with CD40 ligand, CD40 mediates a number of major immunoregulatory functions central to the control of thymus-dependent humoral immunity and may be critical in the development of cell-mediated immune responses. Other biological actions include B cell homotypic adhesion, proliferation, immunoglobulin isotype switch, and secretion.<sup>1-4</sup> The interaction of CD40 and CD40L also plays important roles in monocyte activation and dendritic cell maturation. Activation of CD40 inhibits the growth of certain B cell lymphomas<sup>5, 6</sup> and induces the death of transformed cells of mesenchymal or epithelial origin.<sup>7-9</sup>

## Reagent

Lyophilized from 0.2  $\mu$ m-filtered solution in phosphate buffered saline containing carbohydrates.

#### **Precautions and Disclaimer**

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

#### **Preparation Instructions**

To one vial of lyophilized powder, add 0.5 mL of 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered phosphate buffered saline to produce a 0.2 mg/mL stock solution of antibody.

## Storage/Stability

Prior to reconstitution, store at -20 °C. Reconstituted product may be stored at 2-8 °C for up to one month. For prolonged storage, freeze in working aliquots. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing. Do not store in a frostfree freezer.

## **Product Profile**

Immunoblotting: a working antibody concentration of 1  $\mu$ g/mL is recommended.

Flow cytometry: a concentration of 2.5  $\mu$ g/10<sup>6</sup> human peripheral blood mononuclear cells treated with PMA and Ca<sup>2+</sup> inomycin is recommended.

<u>Note</u>: In order to obtain the best results in various techniques and preparations, we recommend determining optimal working dilutions by titration.

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