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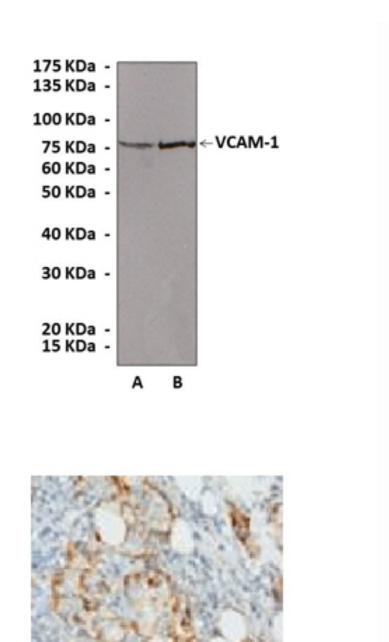
# Description

BACKGROUND VCAM-1 (vascular cell adhesion molecule-1), or CD106, is an immunoglobulin-like adhesion molecule. It contains six or seven immunoglobulin domains and is expressed on both large and small vessels only after the endothelial cells are stimulated by cytokines. Moreover, VCAM-1 expression is induced on endothelial cells during inflammatory bowel disease, atherosclerosis, allograft rejection, infection, and asthmatic responses. Primarily, VCAM-1 is an endothelial ligand for VLA-4 (Very Late Antigen-1 or alpha4beta1) of the beta1 subfamily of integrins and for integrin alpha4beta7. VLA-4 is expressed on most leukocytes and plays an important role in leukocyte trafficking by interacting with VCAM-1 on endothelial cells to mediate tethering, rolling, firm adhesion and transendothelial migration. During these responses, VCAM-1 forms a scaffold for leukocyte migration. VCAM-1 also activates signals within endothelial cells resulting in the opening of an "endothelial cell gate" through which leukocytes migrate. Immediately following this migration, the endothelial cell-endothelial cell contact is reestablished. VCAM-1 outside-in signals are mediated by NADPH oxidase production of reactive oxygen species and subsequently activation of matrix metalloproteinases. These signals are required for endothelial cell shape changes and leukocyte migration.<sup>2</sup> In addition, VCAM-1/VLA-4 interaction has also been implicated in the compartmentalisation of B cells into peripheral lymphoid tissue, the association of neutrophils with bone marrow (BM) stromal cells, the promotion of interactions between follicular dendritic cells (FDC) and B cells, and in the formation of a docking structure that surrounds the B cell receptor (BCR) and TCR in the immunological synapse (IS) that forms between antigen presenting cells and antigen-specific B and T cells.<sup>2</sup> Interestingly, certain melanoma cells can use VCAM-1 to adhere to the endothelium, and VCAM-1 may participate in monocyte recruitment to atherosclerotic sites. As a result, VCAM-1 is a potential target drug target.<sup>3</sup>

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(Click to Enlarge) **Top:** Detection of VCAM-1 proteins from HUVEC cell (A)(201p-25n) and human lymphatic endothelial cell (B)(100LK-25a) lysates in Western blot assay, using Anti-VCAM-1. **Bottom:** Immunohistochemical staining of paraffin-embedded human breast cancer tissue, using Anti-VCAM-1.

## **Details**

Cat.No.: CA0406

Antigen: N- terminal sequence of human VCAM-1

Isotype: Affinity-Purified Rabbit Polyclonal IgG

Species & predicted

species crossreactivity ( ): Human, Rabbit, Rat, Mouse

WB 1:500 - 1:1000

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Suggested starting dilutions:\*

IHC (Paraffin) 1:50 - 1:200 ICC n/d

FACS n/d

Predicted Molecular

Weight of protein:

82 kDa

Anti-CD106 reacts specifically with CD106 of human, rabbit,

mouse & rat origin in Immunohistochemistry

Specificity/Sensitivity: (membrane/cytoplasmic staining) and western blotting (110 kDa

band), non-cross-reactive with other adhesion molecules.

Storage: Store at 4° C for frequent use; at -20° C for at least one year.

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<sup>\*</sup>Optimal working dilutions must be determined by end user.

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