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# E-Cadherin (4A2) Mouse mAb (Alexa Fluor® 488 Conjugate)



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<b>Applications:</b> IF-IC, FC-FP	Reactivity: H M R	Sensitivity: Endogenous	Source/Isotype: Mouse IgG1	UniProt ID: #P12830	Entrez-Gene Id: 999	
Product Usage Information	Ap	plication			Dilution	
	lmr	Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry)			1:50	
	Flo	w Cytometry (Fixe	ed/Permeabilized)		1:50	
Storage	•	Supplied in PBS (pH 7.2), less than 0.1% sodium azide and 2 mg/ml BSA. Store at 4°C. Do not aliquot the antibody. Protect from light. Do not freeze.				
Specificity / Sensi	cadl	E-Cadherin (4A2) Mouse mAb (Alexa Fluor <sup>®</sup> 488 Conjugate) recognizes endogenous levels of total E-cadherin protein. This antibody does not cross-react with other cadherin proteins. Species cross-reactivity for IF-F and IF-IC is human only.				
Source / Purificati		Monoclonal antibody is produced by immunizing animals with recombinant protein specific to human E-cadherin protein.				
Product Descripti	hou	This Cell Signaling Technology antibody is conjugated to Alexa Fluor <sup>®</sup> 488 fluorescent dye and tested inhouse for direct flow cytometric analysis in human cells. This antibody is expected to exhibit the same species cross-reactivity as the unconjugated E-Cadherin (4A2) Mouse mAb #14472.				

### **Background**

Cadherins are a superfamily of transmembrane glycoproteins that contain cadherin repeats of approximately 100 residues in their extracellular domain. Cadherins mediate calcium-dependent cell-cell adhesion and play critical roles in normal tissue development (1). The classic cadherin subfamily includes N-, P-, R-, B-, and E-cadherins, as well as about ten other members that are found in adherens junctions, a cellular structure near the apical surface of polarized epithelial cells. The cytoplasmic domain of classical cadherins interacts with β-catenin, y-catenin (also called plakoglobin), and p120 catenin. β-catenin and ycatenin associate with  $\alpha$ -catenin, which links the cadherin-catenin complex to the actin cytoskeleton (1,2). While  $\beta$ - and y-catenin play structural roles in the junctional complex, p120 regulates cadherin adhesive activity and trafficking (1-4). Investigators consider E-cadherin an active suppressor of invasion and growth of many epithelial cancers (1-3). Research studies indicate that cancer cells have upregulated N-cadherin in addition to loss of E-cadherin. This change in cadherin expression is called the "cadherin switch." Ncadherin cooperates with the FGF receptor, leading to overexpression of MMP-9 and cellular invasion (3). Research studies have shown that in endothelial cells, VE-cadherin signaling, expression, and localization correlate with vascular permeability and tumor angiogenesis (5,6). Investigators have also demonstrated that expression of P-cadherin, which is normally present in epithelial cells, is also altered in ovarian and other human cancers (7,8).

#### **Background References**

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**Species Reactivity** 

Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

Applications Key
Cross-Reactivity Key

IF-IC: Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry) FC-FP: Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

H: human M: mouse R: rat Hm: hamster Mk: monkey Vir: virus Mi: mink C: chicken Dm: D. melanogaster X: Xenopus Z: zebrafish B: bovine Dg: dog Pg: pig Sc: S. cerevisiae Ce: C. elegans Hr: horse GP: Guinea Pig Rab: rabbit All: all species expected

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