

# CD40L/CD154/TRAP Protein, Human (HEK293, His-Flag)

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Synonyms: CD40L; CD40LG; CD154; TNFSF5; TNFSF5IMD3; CD40LIGM; gp39; HIGM1; T-BAM; TRAP; IGM;

IMD3; CD40 Ligand

Species: Human Source: **HEK293** 

Accession: P29965 (M113-L261)

Gene ID: 959

Molecular Weight: Approximately 55 kDa

# **PROPERTIES**

Biological Activity	Immobilized Human CD40 Ligand Trimer, His Tag at $1\mu g/ml$ ( $100\mu l/Well$ ) on the plate. Dose response curve for Human CD40, hFc Tag with the EC <sub>50</sub> of $1.29\mu g/ml$ determined by ELISA.
Appearance	Lyophilized powder.
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.22 $\mu$ m filtered solution of PBS, pH 7.4. Normally 5% trehalose is added as protectant before lyophilization.
Endotoxin Level	<1 EU/μg, determined by LAL method.
Reconsititution	It is not recommended to reconstitute to a concentration less than 100 $\mu g/mL$ in ddH <sub>2</sub> O.
Storage & Stability	Stored at -20°C for 2 years. After reconstitution, it is stable at 4°C for 1 week or -20°C for longer (with carrier protein). It is recommended to freeze aliquots at -20°C or -80°C for extended storage.
Shipping	Room temperature in continental US; may vary elsewhere.

## **DESCRIPTION**

Background

CD40 Ligand (CD40L; CD154; TRAP) belongs to the tumor necrosis factor (TNF) family, is the ligand for CD40/TNFRSF5, specifically expressed on activated CD4+ T-lymphocytes<sup>[1]</sup>.

CD40L is a type II transmembrane protein on B cells triggers important signals for B cell differentiation, maturation, and apoptosis<sup>[4]</sup>.

CD40L acts function by cross-linking on T-cells to generate a costimulatory signal and thus enhances the production of IL4 and IL10 in conjunction with the TCR/CD3 ligation and CD28 costimulation, as well as promoting the production of interferon- $\gamma$ , and TNF- $\alpha^{[1][4]}$ .

CD40L, binding with CD40 on antigen-presenting cells (APC), activates TNFR-associated factor 2- and IKK2-dependent pathways with stimulating I-κB kinase (IKK), increasing NF-κB DNA binding, and p65 nuclear translocation. The activation of I-kB kinase leads to strongly c-Jun N-terminal kinase activation as well as GST-I-kB and GST-p65 phosphorylation<sup>[2]</sup>. CD40L involves in MAPK pathways that strongly repress Bcl-6 with inducing the phosphorylation of Erk1/2, p38 and Jnk1/2 and activating IRF4 mediated by NF-κB<sup>[3]</sup>.

CD40L also binds to and signals through several integrins, including  $\alpha v \beta 3$  and  $\alpha 5 \beta 1$ , which bind to the trimeric interface of CD40L. CD40L plays a major role in immune response and is a major target for inflammation<sup>[5]</sup>.

CD40L is widely found in different animals, while the sequence in Human is highly similar to Rhesus macaque (98.08%), but very different from Rat and Mouse with similarities of 77.31% and 77.69%, respectively. CD40L in Human is cleaved into 2 chains of membrane form (1-261 a.a.) and soluble form (113-261 a.a.), while the soluble form derives from the membrane form by proteolytic processing. Release of soluble CD40L from platelets is partially regulated by GP IIb/IIIa, actin polymerization, and a matrix metalloproteinases (MMP) inhibitor-sensitive pathway<sup>[6]</sup>.

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