### Overview

**Product name**  Anti-Collagen II antibody  
**Description**  Rabbit polyclonal to Collagen II  
**Host species**  Rabbit  
**Specificity**  This antibody reacts with Type II collagens and shows negligible (less than 1%) cross reactivity with Type I, III, IV, V or VI collagens. Nonspecific cross reaction with other human serum proteins or non collagen extracellular matrix proteins is negligible.  
**Tested applications**  Suitable for: WB, ELISA, IP, IHC-P, ICC/IF  
**Species reactivity**  Reacts with: Mouse, Rat, Sheep, Chicken, Cow, Dog, Human, Pig  
**Immunogen**  Collagen Type II from human knee cartilage and bovine nasal cartilage.  
**Positive control**  IHC-P: Human bronchiolar cartilage; Mesenchymal stem cells. ICC/IF: Human articular chondrocytes; Human bronchiolar cartilage; Mesenchymal stem cells.  
**General notes**

### Properties

**Form**  Liquid  
**Storage instructions**  Shipped at 4°C. Store at +4°C short term (1-2 weeks). Add glycerol to a final volume of 50% for extra stability and aliquot. Store at -20°C or -80°C. Avoid freeze / thaw cycle.  
**Storage buffer**  pH: 8.00  
Preservative: 0.01% Sodium azide  
Constituents: 0.435% Sodium chloride, 0.146% EDTA, 4.7625% Sodium borate  
**Purity**  Immunogen affinity purified  
**Purification notes**  This antibody was prepared by immunoaffinity chromatography using immobilized antigens followed by extensive cross adsorption against other collagens, human serum proteins and non collagen extracellular matrix proteins to remove any unwanted specificities.  
**Clonality**  Polyclonal  
**Isotype**  IgG  

### Applications
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The application notes include recommended starting dilutions; optimal dilutions/concentrations should be determined by the end user.

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been identified. It has been estimated that 300,000 to 600,000 people in the United States have ANFH. Approximately 15,000 new cases of this common and disabling disorder are reported annually. The age at the onset is earlier than that for osteoarthritis. The diagnosis is typically made when patients are between the ages of 30 and 60 years. The clinical manifestations, such as pain on exertion, a limping gait, and a discrepancy in leg length, cause considerable disability. Moreover, nearly 10 percent of the 500,000 total-hip arthroplasties performed each year in the United States involve patients with ANFH. As a result, this disease creates a substantial socioeconomic cost as well as a burden for patients and their families.

Defects in COL2A1 are the cause of osteoarthritis with mild chondrodysplasia (OACD) [MIM:604864]. Osteoarthritis is a common disease that produces joint pain and stiffness together with radiologic evidence of progressive degeneration of joint cartilage. Some forms of osteoarthritis are secondary to events such as trauma, infections, metabolic disorders, or congenital or heritable conditions that deform the epiphyses or related structures. In most patients, however, there is no readily identifiable cause of osteoarthritis. Inheritance in a Mendelian dominant manner has been demonstrated in some families with primary generalized osteoarthritis. Reports demonstrate coinheritance of primary generalized osteoarthritis with specific alleles of the gene COL2A1, the precursor of the major protein of cartilage.

Defects in COL2A1 are the cause of platyspondylic lethal skeletal dysplasia Torrance type (PLSD-T) [MIM:151210]. Platyspondylic lethal skeletal dysplasias (PLSDs) are a heterogeneous group of chondrodysplasias characterized by severe platyspondyly and limb shortening. PLSD-T is characterized by varying platyspondyly, short ribs with anterior cupping, hypoplasia of the lower ilia with broad ischial and pubic bones, and shortening of the tubular bones with splayed and cupped metaphyses. Histology of the growth plate typically shows focal hypercellularity with slightly enlarged chondrocytes in the resting cartilage and relatively well-preserved columnar formation and ossification at the chondro-osseous junction. PLSD-T is generally a perinatally lethal disease, but a few long-term survivors have been reported.

Defects in COL2A1 are the cause of multiple epiphyseal dysplasia with myopia and conductive deafness (EDMMD) [MIM:132450]. Multiple epiphyseal dysplasia is a generalized skeletal dysplasia associated with significant morbidity. Joint pain, joint deformity, waddling gait, and short stature are the main clinical signs and symptoms. EDMMD is an autosomal dominant disorder characterized by epiphyseal dysplasia associated with progressive myopia, retinal thinning, cataracts, and conductive deafness.

Defects in COL2A1 are the cause of spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia (SPD) [MIM:271700]. SPD patients manifest short stature, midface hypoplasia, sensorineural hearing loss, spondyloepiphyseal dysplasia, platyspondyly and brachydactyly.

Defects in COL2A1 are the cause of Stickler syndrome type 1 (STL1) [MIM:108300]; also known as vitreous type 1, or membranous vitreous type. STL1 is an autosomal dominant form of Stickler syndrome, an inherited disorder that associates ocular signs with more or less complete forms of Pierre Robin sequence, bone disorders and sensorineural deafness. Ocular disorders may include juvenile cataract, myopia, strabismus, vitreo-retinal or chorioretinal degeneration, retinal detachment, and chronic uveitis. Robin sequence includes an opening in the roof of the mouth (a cleft palate), a large tongue (macroglossia), and a small lower jaw (micrognathia). Bones are affected by slight platyspondylysis and large, often defective epiphyses. Juvenile joint laxity is followed by early signs of arthrosis. The degree of hearing loss varies among affected individuals and may become more severe over time. Syndrome expressivity is variable.

Defects in COL2A1 are the cause of Stickler syndrome type 1 non-syndromic ocular (STL1O) [MIM:609508]. STL1O is an autosomal dominant form of Stickler syndrome characterized by the ocular signs typically seen in STL1 such as cataract, myopia, retinal detachment. STL1 systemic features of premature osteoarthritis, cleft palate, hearing impairment, and craniofacial abnormalities are either absent or very mild in STL1O patients.

Defects in COL2A1 are a cause of rhegmatogenous retinal detachment autosomal dominant (DRRD) [MIM:609508]. Rhegmatogenous retinal detachment most frequently results from a break
or tear in the retina that allows fluid from the vitreous humor to enter the potential space beneath the retina. It is often associated with pathologic myopia and in most cases leads to visual impairment or blindness if untreated.

**Sequence similarities**
- Belongs to the fibrillar collagen family.
- Contains 1 fibrillar collagen NC1 domain.
- Contains 1 VWFC domain.

**Post-translational modifications**
- Proline residues at the third position of the tripeptide repeating unit (G-X-Y) are hydroxylated in some or all of the chains. Proline residues at the second position of the tripeptide repeating unit (G-X-Y) are hydroxylated in some of the chains.
- The N-telopeptide is covalently linked to the helical COL2 region of alpha 1(IX), alpha 2(IX) and alpha 3(IX) chain. The C-telopeptide is covalently linked to another site in the helical region of alpha 3(IX) COL2.

**Cellular localization**
- Secreted > extracellular space > extracellular matrix.

**Images**

![Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-Collagen II antibody](image1)

ab34712 (1:400, 45 min RT) showed moderate staining in FFPE human bronchiolar cartilage. Slides were steamed in 0.01 M sodium citrate buffer, pH 6.0 at 99-100°C - 20 minutes for antigen retrieval.

![Immunocytochemistry/ Immunofluorescence - Anti-Collagen II antibody](image2)

Immunofluorescence analysis of Human articular chondrocytes, staining Collagen II with ab34712.

Cells were fixed with paraformaldehyde and blocked for 1 hour with 1% BSA. Cells were incubated with primary antibody overnight at 4°C. An Alexa Fluor® 594-conjugated goat anti-rabbit polyclonal IgG (ab150080) was used as the secondary antibody.

Day 7, Day 14 and Day 20 spheroids were fixed using 10% formalin, dehydrated with ethanol, and paraffin-embedded. Sections 5 μm thick were cut and adhered to poly-l-lysine-coated glass microscope slides. Immunofluorescence of Collagen II (Green) was examined using ab34712 at 1/200 dilution.

After deparaffinization and rehydration, antigen retrieval was conducted by incubating the slides in boiling 10 mM citrate buffer (pH 6) with 0.05% Tween (v/v) (30 minutes) or by treatment with proteinase K (20 μg/mL, 2 minutes). Blue represents nuclei staining. Controls were obtained by omitting primary antibody but using comparative illumination parameters.

Formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded Mesenchymal stem cells stained for collagen II using ab34712 at 1/100 dilution in immunohistochemical analysis.

Healthy donor-derived MSCs were injected into the center of nanofiber plugs and cultured in MSCGM for the specified period. The samples were assessed immunohistochemically for the expression of type-II collagen on Days 7 and 28. Scale bars, 50 μm.

ab34712 staining Collagen II in Chicken embryonic sternal chondrocyte P17 cells by ICC/IF (Immunocytochemistry/immunofluorescence). Cells were fixed with paraformaldehyde, permeabilized with PBS + Tween 20 and blocked with 6% serum for 1 hour at 4°C. Samples were incubated with primary antibody (1/200) for 8 hours at 4°C. An Alexa Fluor®594-conjugated goat anti-rabbit IgG (ab150080) polyclonal (1/1000) was used as the secondary antibody.

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