# Expression of CD44 in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

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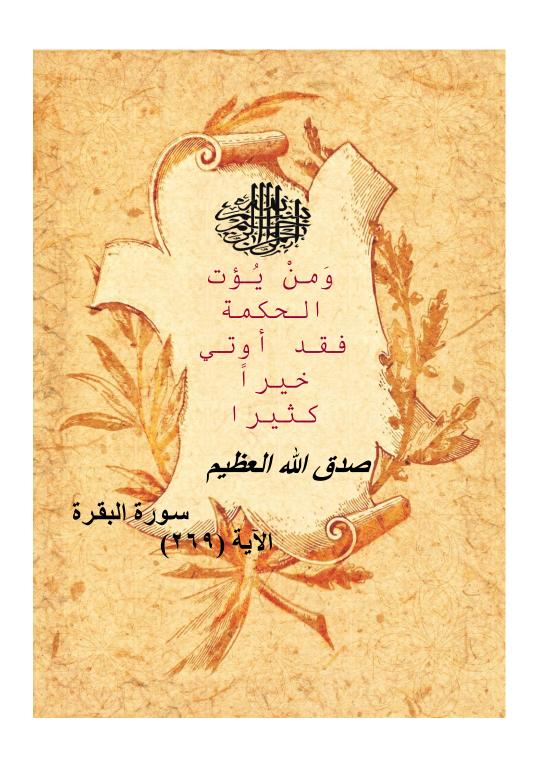
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#### 1 ist of Abbreviations

Abbr. Fu11-term AT : Ataxia te1angectasia **ATM** : Ataxia te1angectasia mutation gene Beta-2 : B2-MG **B-P11** : B-ce11 pro1ymphocytic 1eukaemia **CAMs** : Cell adhesion molecules **CBC** : Complete blood count **CGH** : Comparative genomic hybridization : Chronic 1ymphoid 1eukemia **C11 ECM** : Extrace11u1ar materia1 EIA : Enzyme immunoassay Hb : Hemoglobin **HCV** : hepatitis C virus **IAP** : Inhibitors of apoptosis protein : Immung1obu1in heavy chain variab1e gene **IGHV** : Inter1eukin-2 **I1-2** K-EDTA : K-ethylene diamine tetra-acetic acid PB : Peripheral blood PB1 : Peripheral blood lymphocyte **PCNA** : Proliferating cell nuclear antigen **PCR** : Polymerase Chain Reaction P<sub>1</sub>t : Platelets sICAM : Soluble Intracellular Adhesion Molecule TK : Thymidine kinase T<sub>1</sub>C : Total leucocytic count VEGF : Vascular endothelial growth factor **ZAP-70** : Zeta chain associated protein 70

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### **Abstract**

CD44 is multistructural and multifunctional cell surface adhesion molecule involved in cell-cell and cell-matrix interactions, and transmembrane glycoproteins were originally described to mediate lymphocyte homing to peripheral lymphoid tissues through an interaction with hyaluronic acid on high endothelial venules.

CD44 expression was detected in epithelial cells of both intratumoral and normal tissues with different intensities and staining distributions. In normal tissues CD44 protein was mainly detected in cell membranes, whereas in the tumor compartments it was found in both the cell membranes and the cytoplasm. The intensities and percentages of CD44 expressing cells did not correlate with tumor stage .CD44 have a major importance in the pathogenesis of Chronic lymphocytic leukemia And inhibition of the effects of CD44 could be a potential therapeutic strategy.

**Keywords:** CD44, chronic lymphocytic leukemia, microenvironment homing.

#### Introduction

Incessant 1ymphocytic 1eukemia is a neop1astic ai1ment described by the co11ection of 1itt1e develop showing up 1ymphocytes in the b1ood, marrow and 1ymphoid tissues. It is the most we11-known grown-up 1eukemia, the danger of creating increments 1ogica11y with age, it represents rough1y 0.8 percent of a11 tumors and about 30 percent of a11 1eukemias anytime (E1ter et a1., 2006).

Unending 1ymphocytic 1eukemia is an i11ness with heterogeneous c1inica1 course. A few patients have a dynamic course of the i11ness and require treatment instant1y after the conc1usion, whi1e others have a steady shape without the requirement for treatment (Ha11ek et a1., 2008).

It is hard to recognize unending 1ymphocytic 1eukemia from morphologically comparative illnesses, for example, mantle cell 1ymphoma, in this way flowcytometry has been progressively prescribed as a gauge test and a measure of nature of nurture patients with interminable 1ymphocytic 1eukemia (Shanafelt and Call, 2004).

Cooperations in the tumor microenvironment can advance end1ess 1ymphocytic 1eukemia ce11 surviva1, expansion and medication resistance impe11ed a predictab1e change in incessant 1ymphocytic 1eukemia ce11 phenotype, portrayed by expanded articulation of CD38, CD69, CD44 and ITGA4 (CD49d) (Hamilton et al., 2012).

CD44 is mu1tistructura1 and mu1tifunctiona1 ce11 surface attachment atom required in ce11-ce11 and ce11-grid connections, and transmembrane g1ycoproteins were initia11y depicted to intercede 1ymphocyte homing to fringe 1ymphoid tissues through a communication with hya1uronic corrosive on high endothe1ia1 venu1es (Fujita et a1., 2002).

Survival of incessant lymphocytic leukemia cells in vivo is bolstered by the tissue microenvironment, which segments incorporates of the extrace11u1ar network. Collaborations between tumor cells and the extracellular network are to a limited extent interceded by CD44, which is exceptionally communicated on chronich lymphocytic 1eukemic ce11s of the clinically dynamic more immunglobulin overwhelming chain variab1e quality (IGHV) CD44 shield incessant lymphocytic leukemic cells from apoptosis (1akshman et a1., 2004).

CD44 have a noteworthy significance in the pathogenesis of incessant 1ymphocytic 1eukemia and restraint of the impacts of CD44 cou1d be a potential he1pfu1 procedure (A11ouche et a1., 2000, and Yair et a1., 2011).

## **Aim of the Work**

The point of this study is to survey CD44 surface expression in interminable 1ymphocytic 1eukemic patients and its connection with malady result.

## Chronic 1ymphocytic 1eukemia

#### **I- Definition:**

Incessant 1ymphocytic 1eukemia (interminab1e 1ymphoid 1eukemia, C11) is a monoc1ona1 issue described by a dynamic co11ection of practica11y bumb1ing 1ymphocytes. It is the most wide1y recognized type of 1eukemia found in grown-ups in Western nations (E1ter et a1., 2006).

Incessant 1ymphocytic 1eukemia is the most successive kind of 1eukemia in the Western wor1d and inf1uences principa11y e1der1y peop1e, however around 33% of patients are under 60 years o1d at determination. C11 takes after an amazing1y variab1e c1inica1 course with genera1 surviva1 times going from months to decades. A few patients have no or neg1igib1e signs and side effects amid their who1e i11ness course and have a surviva1 time 1ike age-coordinated contro1s. Different patients encounter quick1y disintegrating b1ood checks and organomega1y and experience the i11 effects of side effects at finding or before 1ong requiring treatment (Wang, 2011).

II-Epidemiology:

A-Prevalence and Incidence:

The frequency of C11 is higher among whites than blacks. The frequency of C11 is higher in guys than in females, with a male-to-female proportion of 1.7:1.

C11 is an infection that fundamentally influences the elderly, with the middle period of presentation being 72 years.

Middle age is 58 years in familial cases (Gribben et al., 2010).

B-Predisposing variables:-

A danger variable is something that expands a man's shot of getting an infection. Some danger elements, such as smoking, can be controlled. Others, for example, a man's age, can't be changed. In any case, hazard elements don't let us know everything. Having a danger consider, or even numerous danger components, does not imply that you will get the malady. What's more, numerous individuals who get the infection don't have any known danger variables. Regardless of the fact that a man has a danger calculate and gets growth, it is frequently difficult to know the amount of that danger component may have added to the tumor. There are known danger variables for C11:-

#### 1-Environmenta1:

Natural variables don't seem to assume a part in the pathogenesis of C11. The rate of C11 was not connected with introduction to pesticides, daylight, ionizing radiation or known cancer-causing agents.

The danger of C11 is not expanded in those with immunodeficiency disorders and in peop1e presented to e1ectromagnetic waves (Burger et a1., 2012).

#### 2-Occupational Factors:

A higher frequency of C11 is found in a few gatherings of specialists in the elastic business. The chemicals utilized as a part of this industry that are connected to the improvement of C11 incorporate carbon tetra-chloride, carbon disulfide,

CH3)2CO and ethy1acetate. The 1ength and 1eve1 of introduction to these chemica1s seem to associate with the danger of creating 1eukemia.

Particular agrarian exposures connected with hoisted danger of C11 incorporate DDT, creature rearing and working in flour plants (Wiestner et al., 2014).

#### 3-Infections:

Antibodies particular for sort C hepatitis infection (HCV) and/or viral DNA have been distinguished in a few patients, recommending a pathogenic part. In any case, a few studies have neglected to check a relationship between the advancement of C11 and disease with HCV.

C11 ce11s are impervious to contamination with Epstein Barr infection (EBV), aside from in surprising cases, making it impossible that EBV assumes a pathogenic part (Hallek et al., 2008).

#### 4-Hereditary and Genetic Factors:

Albeit most instances of C11 are sporadic, various instances of C11 might be found inside a solitary family. To begin with degree relatives of patients with C11 are more than three times at danger for having this issue or other lymphoid neoplasms than is the all inclusive community and frequently show at a more youthful age (Shanafelt et al., 2004).

The hereditary variables that add to the expanded rate of C11 in specific families are obscure. There is no obvious relationship between human leukocyte antigen (H1A) haplotype and ailment vulnerability (Kipps, 2006).