

Names for KN (ISBT 022) Blood Group Alleles

Intro

General Description The Knops blood group system consists of 9 antigens carried on a glycoprotein of **2039** amino acids and called the Complement Receptor I (CR1). It has a leader sequence of 41 to 46 amino acids, depending on translation initiation site, which is cleaved from the membrane protein. The coding sequence starts at nucleotide 28. The Helgeson phenotype, initially thought to be a KN serologic null, may be more likely the result of lower-level CR1 density and may also involve lack of a high-prevalence KN antigen [Pham Transfusion 2010 50(7):1435-43].

General Description (from GeneCards) *CR1* (Complement C3b/C4b Receptor 1 (Knops Blood Group)) is a **protein coding gene that is a member of the receptors of complement activation (RCA) family and is located in the "cluster RCA" region of chromosome 1.** Diseases associated with *CR1* include **malaria** and **Plasmodium falciparum malaria**. Among its related pathways are **immune response, lectin-induced complement pathway and innate immune system**. Gene Ontology (GO) annotations related to this gene include complement component C3b binding and complement component C4b receptor activity. An important paralog of this gene is *CRIL*.

Gene name: *CR1* (aliases CD35, KN, C3BR, C4BR)

RefGene Name LRG_814

Number of exons: 39

Initiation codon: beginning of exon 1

Stop codon: end of exon 38

Entrez Gene ID: 1378

LRG sequence: NG_007481.1 (genomic)
NM_000573.3 (transcript)

Reference allele KN1, KN3, KN4, KN8, KN9, KN11

*KN*01* encodes:

Acceptable: *KN*A*, or *Kn^a* if inferred by haemagglutination

Antithetical antigens: [KN1 KN2]; [KN3 KN6]; [KN4 KN7]; [KN9 KN10]; [KN11 KN12]

Comment: [The antithetical KN antigens KN9/KN10 \(KCAM/KDAS\) and KN 11/12 \(DACY/YCAD\) are adding additional polymorphism to almost all *KN** alleles known so far and listed in the Allele Table. A **proposal** for extended *KN** terminology, also considering KCAM/KDAS and DACY/YCAD polymorphism is given at the end of this file. This proposal is currently unratified by the ISBT WP RCI & BGT.](#)

Phenotype	Allele name	Nucleotide change	Exon Intron	Predicted amino acid change	(Reference No.) PMID	Accession number	rs number
KN:1 or Kn(a+) KN:3 or McC(a+) KN:4 or SI1+ KN:8 or SI3+ KN:9 or KCAM+ KN:11 or DACY+	KN*01 or KN*A	c.4681G c.4768A c.4801A c.4828T c.4843A c.3623A	29 29 29 29 29 22	p.Val1561 p.Lys1590 p.Arg1601 p.Ser1610 p.Ile1615 p.His1208		n.a.	n.a.
KN:2 or Kn(b+) KN:10 or KDAS+	KN*02 or KN*B	c.4681A>G c.4843A>G	29 29	p.Val1561Met p.Ile1615Val	PMID: 14962306 PMID: 32870515	n.a.	rs41274768 rs6691117
KN:–5 or Yk(a–)	KN*01.-05	c.4223C>T	26	p.Thr1408Met	PMID: 21214579	n.a.	rs3737002
KN:6 or McC(b+) KN:7 or Vil+ KN:10 or KDAS+	KN*01.06	c.4768A>G c.4801A>G c.4843A>G	29 29 29	p.Lys1590Glu p.Arg1601Gly p.Ile1615Val	PMID: 11313284 PMID: 32870515	n.a.	rs17047660 rs17047661 rs6691117
KN:7 or Vil+	KN*01.07	c.4801A>G	29	p.Arg1601Gly	(1), Abstract PMID: 6865671	n.a.	rs17047661
KN:–8 or SI3–	KN*01.-08	c.4828T>A	29	p.Ser1610Thr	PMID: 11896343	n.a.	rs4844609
KN:10 or KDAS+	KN*01.10	c.4843A>G	29	p.Ile1615Val	(2), Abstract PMID: 32589271	n.a.	rs6691117
KN:12 or YCAD+	KN*01.12	c.3623A>G	22	p.His1208Arg	PMID: 32870515	n.a.	rs2274567

Note: Nucleotides are numbered from the initiation codon, so numbering will differ from publications prior to 2012 by –27 nucleotides.

‡ KN:4 was listed in older literature with the alias SI³ or S1 and KN:7 with the alias SI2.

† Arg1601 and Ser1610 are required for KN:8 (SI3) expression

All *KN*01.06* alleles known so far are KDAS (KN10) positive and KCAM (KN9) negative and express almost exclusively DACY (KN11). PMID: 32870515

Almost all *KN*01.05* alleles known so far are KCAM positive (KN9) and KDAS (KN10) negative and express almost exclusively DACY (KN11). PMID: 32870515

The *KN*01.07* known so far usually express KDAS (KN10) and are DACY (KN11) positive. PMID: 32870515

The *KN*01.10* known so far usually express KDAS (KN10) and are YCAD (KN12) positive. PMID: 32870515

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Track of changes

		from	to
1	Version	v3.0 160903	v4.0 31-MAR-2022
2	Author	created Joanne Moulds, 2016	Margaret Keller, March 2022
3	Review	reviewed n.a.	Christoph Gassner, March 2022
4	General	Formatting	Updated to newest project-2-excel format with addition of columns for rs number, PMID. Added tab with reference details.
5	Allele Table	Allele removed	In the allele table, entries KN:-9 or KCAM-, <i>KN*01.-09</i> will become obsolete and be replaced by KN:10, KDAS, <i>KN*01.10</i> , defined by the SNV c.4843A>G (rs 6691117). KDAS (=KCAM-) is antithetical to KCAM.
6	Allele Table	Allele	Allele KN:10 and KDAS added as antithetical to KCAM based on PMID 32589271.
7	Allele Table	Allele	Allele KN:12 and DACY/YCAD added as antithetical pair, based on PMID 32870515.
8	Allele Table	negative signs	Continued use of negative signs according to genomics meetings and reviewer Christoph Gassner
9	References	numbering changed	References numbering changed and additional references (PMID 32589271 and 32870515) added
10	Tab sheet	Tab sheet added	Tab sheet ' Proposal & AG per Allele ' added.
11	End Version	v3.0 160903	v4.0 31-MAR-2022

This proposal-page will be discussed in the next WP-meeting

This is a **proposal** for extended *KN** terminology, also considering KCAM/KDAS and DACY/YCAD polymorphism. Alleles shown are expected to exist according to PMID: 32870515, Table 2.

	Kn(a+) KN001	Kn(b+) KN002	McC(a+) KN003	McC(b+) KN006	SI1+ KN004	Vil+("SI2+") KN007	SI3+ KN008	Yk(a+) KN005	KCAM KN009	KDAS KN010	DACY KN011	YCAD KN012
rs.id	rs41274768	rs41274768	rs17047660	rs17047660	rs17047661	rs17047661	rs4844609	rs3737002	rs6691117	rs6691117	rs2274567	rs2274567
nt. position	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4	NM_000573.4
nucleotide	c.4681	c.4681	c.4768	c.4768	c.4801	c.4801	c.4828	c.4828	c.4843	c.4843	c.3623	c.3623
amino acid	G	A	A	G	A	G	T>A	C>T	A	G	A	G
p. position	p.1561	p.1561	p.1590	p.1590	p.1601	p.1601	p.1610	p.1408	p.1615	p.1615	p.1208	p.1208
amino acid	Val	Met	Lys	Glu	Arg	Gly	Ser/Thr	Thr/Met	Ile	Val	His	Arg
p. position	p.2011	p.2011	p.2040	p.2040	p.2051	p.2051	p.2060	p.1858	p.2065	p.2065	p.1658	p.1658

total	AFR	AMR	EAS	EUR	SAS																
25.70	8.20	25.70	34.50	46.80	19.00	<i>KN*01 or KN*A</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg		
1.30	0.20	3.60	0.20	3.40	0.30	<i>KN*02 or KN*B</i>	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg		
22.90	4.40	34.20	31.20	25.70	29.00	<i>KN*01-.05.01</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	
1.30	0.10	2.00	0.00	2.90	1.90	<i>KN*01-.05.01.02</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	
0.10	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	0.30	<i>KN*01-.05.02</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	neg	pos	pos	neg	
0.60	0.00	1.70	1.40	0.20	0.00	<i>KN*01-.05.03</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	pos	pos	neg	neg	
7.50	27.00	2.40	0.00	0.30	0.00	<i>KN*01.06.03</i>	pos	neg	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	neg	
0.00	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	<i>KN*01.06.04</i>	pos	neg	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	
0.10	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.00	<i>KN*01.07.02</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	neg	neg	pos	pos	
10.30	37.50	2.50	0.00	0.50	0.00	<i>KN*01.07.03</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	neg	
1.70	6.40	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	<i>KN*01.07.04</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	
0.50	0.00	0.60	0.00	2.00	0.10	<i>KN*01-.08</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	neg	
0.30	0.80	0.30	0.10	0.10	0.20	<i>KN*01.10.03</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	pos	neg	
27.50	15.20	26.80	32.70	18.00	48.90	<i>KN*01.10.04</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	
0.10	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.10	0.20	<i>KN*01.12</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	neg	pos	pos	
99.90	100.20	100.10	100.20	100.10	99.90	total															
50.70	13.00	62.50	65.80	77.60	50.50	sum KCAM	"wildtype"														
49.20	87.20	37.60	34.40	22.50	49.40	sum KDAS	"minor antigen"														
70.40	78.20	73.00	67.40	81.90	50.50	sum DACY	"wildtype"														
29.50	22.00	27.10	32.80	18.20	49.40	sum YCAD	"minor antigen"														
														KCAM	KDAS	DACY	YCAD				
						<i>KN*xx.xx.01</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg
						<i>KN*xx.xx.02</i>	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg
						<i>KN*xx.xx.03</i>	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos
						<i>KN*xx.xx.04</i>	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos	neg	pos

Numerical codes **proposed** for KCAM/KDAS and DACY/YCAD polymorphism: