



TWIK-2 (C-17): sc-11488

BACKGROUND

K⁺ channels are divided into three subclasses, reflecting the number of transmembrane segments (TMS), which are designated 6TMS, 4TMS, and 2TMS. Members of the 4TMS class contain two distinct pore regions, and include TASK, TREK, TRAAK, and TWIK. TWIK-1 mRNA is expressed abundantly in brain and at lower levels in lung, kidney, and skeletal muscle. The molecular weight of TWIK-1 in mouse brain is 40 kDa under reducing conditions. TWIK-2 shares low sequence homology with other mammalian family group members, and only 34% homology with TWIK-1. Human TWIK-2 is expressed in pancreas, placenta and heart, while mouse TWIK-2 is expressed in liver. TWIK-2 is inhibited by intracellular, but not extracellular, acidification.

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SOURCE

TWIK-2 (C-17) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the C-terminus of TWIK-2 of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-11488 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

STORAGE

Store at 4° C, ****DO NOT FREEZE****. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com or our catalog for detailed protocols and support products.

APPLICATIONS

TWIK-2 (C-17) is recommended for detection of TWIK-2 of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Molecular Weight of TWIK-2: 37 kDa.

Positive Controls: COLO 320DM cell lysate: sc-2226 or JEG-3 whole cell lysate.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2020 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2033 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluorescence: use donkey anti-goat IgG-FITC: sc-2024 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or donkey anti-goat IgG-TR: sc-2783 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.