## BACKGROUND

Several proteins involved in regulating and executing programmed cell death have been identified in $C$. elegans. CED-2, which is similar to the human adaptor protein Crkll, as well as CED-5 and CED-7, which are orthologs of the mammalian DOCK180 and ABC transporter proteins, respectively, are involved in the engulfment of dying cells. CED-3, a member of the ICE protease/caspase family, and CED-4, a homolog of the mammalian Apaf-1, both promote apoptosis, whereas CED-9, a homolog of the mammalian Bcl-2 protein, inhibits cell death. EGL-1 and CED-6 both function as deathpromoting proteins, with CED-6 playing a role in the engulfment of apoptotic cells. Ces-2 kills neurons by negatively regulating the protective activity of ces- 1 , thereby controlling the programmed deaths of specific neurons.

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## SOURCE

ces-1 (cN-17) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N -terminus of ces-1 of Caenorhabditis elegans origin.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains $200 \mu \mathrm{glg}$ in 1.0 ml of PBS with < $0.1 \%$ sodium azide and $0.1 \%$ gelatin.
Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-12176 P, $(100 \mu \mathrm{~g}$ peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing $<0.1 \%$ sodium azide and $0.2 \%$ BSA).

## APPLICATIONS

ces-1 (cN-17) is recommended for detection of ces-1 of Caenorhabditis elegans 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).

## 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 ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ 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: 1:1001:400) or donkey anti-goat IgG-TR: sc-2783 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz ${ }^{\text {M }}$ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

## STORAGE

Store at $4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, **DO NOT FREEZE**. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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