

UNC-32 (cN-19): sc-15648

BACKGROUND

Vacuolar-type H⁺-ATPases (V-ATPases) are ATP-dependent proton pumps involved in the acidification of intracellular compartments in eukaryotic cells and are important in cellular and organismal processes. The V-ATPases are composed of two complexes, V₁ and V₀, that serve different functions. Mutations in the V-ATPase α 3 isoform results in osteopetrosis, a fatal disease in humans. In *C. elegans*, four UNC-32 mutant alleles exist the strongest of which is embryonic lethal. UNC-32 corresponds to one of the four genes encoding a 905 amino acid V-ATPase α subunit in the nematode. UNC-32 generates at least six transcripts by alternative splicing. In the uncoordinated alleles, the transcript UNC-32 B is affected, indicating that it encodes an isoform that is targeted to synaptic vesicles of cholinergic neurons, where it controls neurotransmitter uptake or release. Other isoforms expressed widely during embryogenesis are mutated in the lethal alleles and are involved in other acidic organelles, suggesting that the V-ATPase α subunit genes are highly regulated and function in a tissue-specific manner.

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SOURCE

UNC-32 (cN-19) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the N-terminus of UNC-32 of *Caenorhabditis elegans* origin.

PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-15648 P, (100 μ g 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.

APPLICATIONS

UNC-32 (cN-19) is recommended for detection of UNC-32 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™ 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.

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