

Syd-2 (cC-20): sc-15656

BACKGROUND

Specialized subcellular structures occur in both pre- and postsynaptic cells. Most presynaptic termini contain electron-dense membrane structures called active zones, which function in vesicle docking and release. The *C. elegans* synapse-defective gene *syd-2* encodes a protein, which is a member of the liprin (for LAR-interacting protein) family that interacts with LAR-type receptor proteins with tyrosine phosphatase activity (RPTP). Syd-2 protein is localized at the presynaptic termini independently of the presence of vesicles. Syd-2 acts as an intracellular anchor for RPTP signalling at synaptic junctions to regulate the differentiation of presynaptic termini, in particular, the formation of the active zone. A mutation in the *C. elegans* *syd-2* causes a diffused localization of several presynaptic proteins. The active zones of *syd-2* mutants are lengthened; however, the total number of vesicles in each synapse and the number of vesicles at the prominent active zones are similar to those in wild type *syd-2*. In addition, the *syd-2* mutants have partial impairment of synaptic transmission.

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SOURCE

Syd-2 (cC-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the C-terminus of Syd-2 of *Caenorhabditis elegans* 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-15656 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

APPLICATIONS

Syd-2 (cC-20) is recommended for detection of Syd-2 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.

STORAGE

Store at 4° 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

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