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# CERKL (K-16): sc-167458



## BACKGROUND

Ceramide metabolism plays a critical role in the viability of neuronal cells, and ceramide kinases convert ceramide into ceramide-1-phosphate, a protein involved in cellular apoptosis and survival. CERKL (ceramide kinaselike), also known as RP26, is a 558 amino acid protein that lacks observable ceramide-kinase activity. Existing as seven alternatively spliced isoforms, CERKL localizes to cytoplasm and nucleus, and is enriched in nucleoli. CERKL is expressed moderately in kidney, retina, lung, trachea, pancreas and testis, with lower levels found in brain, placenta and liver. Defects in the gene encoding CERKL may lead to retinitis pigmentosa type 26 (RP26), an autosomal recessive disorder characterized by retinal photoreceptor cell degeneration. Symptoms of RP26 include night vision blindness and loss of midperipheral visual field.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CERKL (human) mapping to 2q31.3; Cerkl (mouse) mapping to 2 C3.

#### SOURCE

CERKL (K-16) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the C-terminus of CERKL of human origin.

#### PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200  $\mu g$  lgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-167458 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

#### **APPLICATIONS**

CERKL (K-16) is recommended for detection of CERKL of mouse, rat and 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).

CERKL (K-16) is also recommended for detection of CERKL in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine, porcine and avian.

Suitable for use as control antibody for CERKL siRNA (h): sc-94466, CERKL siRNA (m): sc-142298, CERKL shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-94466-SH, CERKL shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-142298-SH, CERKL shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-94466-V and CERKL shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-142298-V.

Molecular Weight of CERKL: 62 kDa.

#### **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) Immunofluo-rescence: 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.