

# GlyR $\alpha$ 2 (N-18): sc-17279

## BACKGROUND

In the central nervous system (CNS), glycine-mediated inhibitory neurotransmission is essential to voluntary motor control and reflex responses. Glycine binds to glycine receptors (GlyR) in the post synaptic neuronal membranes. GlyR,  $\gamma$ -aminobutyric acid, serotonin and acetylcholine comprise an evolutionally conserved superfamily of ligand-gated ion channels. The pentameric subunit structure of GlyR consists of two types of glycosylated membrane proteins,  $\alpha$ 1 through  $\alpha$ 4 and  $\beta$ , and an associated peripheral membrane protein, which combine to form a chloride-selective ion channel. In humans, the composition of the pentamer changes from  $\alpha$ 2 subunits in the fetal CNS to  $\alpha$ 1 and  $\beta$  subunits in the adult CNS. Fast potentiation of GlyR by intracellular  $Ca^{2+}$  in the brainstem and midbrain indicate an important role for  $Ca^{2+}$  in modulation glycinergic synapses. The genes encoding human GlyR  $\alpha$ 1,  $\alpha$ 2,  $\alpha$ 3 and  $\beta$  subunits map to chromosomes 5q32, Xp22.2, 4q33 and 4q31, respectively.

## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: GLRA2 (human) mapping to Xp22.2; Glra2 (mouse) mapping to X F5.

## SOURCE

GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 (N-18) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 of human origin.

## PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-17279 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## APPLICATIONS

GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 (N-18) is recommended for detection of GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], 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).

GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 (N-18) is also recommended for detection of GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine, porcine and avian.

Suitable for use as control antibody for GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 siRNA (h): sc-35499, GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 siRNA (m): sc-35500, GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-35499-SH, GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-35500-SH, GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35499-V and GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35500-V.

Molecular Weight of GlyR  $\alpha$ 2: 48 kDa.

Positive Controls: F9 cell lysate: sc-2245 or mouse brain extract: sc-2253.

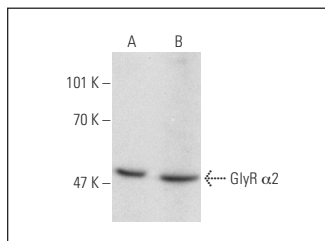
## STORAGE

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.

## DATA



GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 (N-18): sc-17279. Western blot analysis of GlyR  $\alpha$ 2 expression in F9 whole cell lysate (A) and mouse brain tissue extract (B).

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