# bassoon (C-15): sc-18566



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# **BACKGROUND**

Piccolo, a 420 kDa protein, is 1 component of the presynaptic cytomatrix. Bassoon is a large (greater than 400 kDa) protein which is also found in the presynaptic compartments of rat brain synapses. Bassoon, along with Piccolo, is part of the ensemble of presynaptic proteins that are involved in orchestrating events at the nerve terminal. Bassoon is found in axon terminals of hippocampal neurons where it is highly concentrated in the vicinity of the active zone. Piccolo has a similar distribution and colocalizes with Bassoon in cultured hippocampal cells. Piccolo zinc fingers interact with the dual prenylated rab3A and VAMP2/ Synaptobrevin II receptor PRA. Bassoon may be involved in cytomatrix organization at the site of neurotransmitter release. The gene which encodes bassoon maps to human chromosome 3p21.31. The gene which encodes piccolo maps to human chromosome 7q11.23-q21.1.

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# SOURCE

bassoon (C-15) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the C-terminus of bassoon of human origin.

# **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**

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#### **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-18566 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

# **APPLICATIONS**

bassoon (C-15) is recommended for detection of bassoon 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).

#### **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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