

## Fukutin (N-18): sc-23829

### BACKGROUND

Fukutin, a secreted protein, is expressed in various tissues in normal individuals. Fukutin colocalizes with a Golgi marker and a granular cytoplasmic distribution, suggesting that Fukutin passes through the Golgi before being packaged into secretory vesicles. Fukutin may be located in the extracellular matrix, where it interacts with and reinforces a large complex encompassing the outside and inside of muscle membranes; alternatively, as a secreted protein, Fukutin may cause muscular dystrophy by an unknown mechanism. The Fukutin gene is expressed at similar levels in control fetal and adult brain, but is much reduced in Fukuyama congenital muscular dystrophy (FCMD) brains. Fukutin deficiency affects the modification of glycosylation of DAG1 ( $\alpha$ -dystroglycan), which then cannot localize or function properly and may be degraded or eluted from the extracellular surface membrane of the muscle fiber. FCMD is the first human disease known to be caused by an ancient retrotransposal integration. The gene which encodes Fukutin maps to human chromosome 9q31.2.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: FCMD (human) mapping to 9q31.2; Fcmd (mouse) mapping to 4 B2.

### SOURCE

Fukutin (N-18) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of Fukutin 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.

### 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-23829 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

### APPLICATIONS

Fukutin (N-18) is recommended for detection of Fukutin 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).

Fukutin (N-18) is also recommended for detection of Fukutin in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for Fukutin siRNA (h): sc-43773, Fukutin siRNA (m): sc-60664, Fukutin shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43773-SH, Fukutin shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-60664-SH, Fukutin shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43773-V and Fukutin shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60664-V.

Molecular Weight of Fukutin: 60 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<sup>™</sup> compatible donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2033 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker<sup>™</sup> 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<sup>™</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

### RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

### PROTOCOLS

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