

KIR2.1 (H-40): sc-28633

BACKGROUND

The KIR (for inwardly rectifying potassium channel) family of potassium channels possesses a greater tendency to allow potassium to flow into the cell rather than out of it. The KIR2 subunit family includes 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4. Unlike G protein-coupled KIR3 subunits, KIR2.1 requires both phosphorylation by PKA and ATP hydrolysis for functional activity. KIR2.1 is expressed in the superior and inferior collicula and the pontine region of the brain, where it moderates synaptic transmission, like many other potassium channels. In the placenta, KIR2.1 is expressed throughout gestation in cytotrophoblast cells. In the kidney, KIR2.1 colocalizes with KIR5.1 in the proximal tubule. KIR2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 associate with the membrane-associated guanylate kinase synapse-associated protein 97 in the cerebellum and heart. Phosphorylation of KIR2.2 by protein kinase A inhibits the associates with SAP97. Arachidonic acid increases current amplitude in KIR2.3 activity but does not affect the activity of KIR2.1, 2.2 or 2.4. KIR2.4 is abundantly expressed in the neuronal retina and is sensitive to changes in extracellular pH.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: KCNJ2 (human) mapping to 17q24.3; Kcnj2 (mouse) mapping to 11 E2.

SOURCE

KIR2.1 (H-40) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 378-417 mapping within a C-terminal cytoplasmic domain of KIR2.1 of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

KIR2.1 (H-40) is recommended for detection of KIR2.1 of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 µg per 100-500 µg 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).

KIR2.1 (H-40) is also recommended for detection of KIR2.1 in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for KIR2.1 siRNA (h): sc-42612, KIR2.1 siRNA (m): sc-42613, KIR2.1 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-42612-SH, KIR2.1 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42613-SH, KIR2.1 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42612-V and KIR2.1 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42613-V.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2004 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2030 (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) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml). 3) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-FITC: sc-2012 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rabbit IgG-TR: sc-2780 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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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.