

Agrin (D-2): sc-374117

BACKGROUND

Agrin is a molecule that resides in the basal lamina of muscle cells and directs key events in post synaptic differentiation. Most notably, Agrin is responsible for the clustering of acetylcholine receptors (AChRs) on the cell surface and their localization to the neuromuscular junction. Several Agrin variants have been identified which arise from alternative mRNA splicings. Agrin splice forms having inserts at two sites in the carboxy terminus designated "y" and "z" display a high affinity for AChRs, while splice forms lacking these inserts associate with AChRs weakly. Muscle α -dystroglycan has been postulated to be the receptor for the clustering activity of agrin; however, this is a point of contention. Tyrosine phosphorylation has been implicated as a required early step in AChR aggregation. Interestingly, a unique receptor tyrosine kinase, designated MuSK, has been discovered that interacts with Agrin and is specifically localized to developing muscle.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: AGRN (human) mapping to 1p36.33; Agrn (mouse) mapping to 4 E2.

SOURCE

Agrin (D-2) is a mouse monoclonal antibody specific for an epitope mapping between amino acids 1913-1942 near the C-terminus of Agrin of rat origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 μ g IgM kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Agrin (D-2) is available conjugated to agarose (sc-374117 AC), 500 μ g/0.25 ml agarose in 1 ml, for IP; to HRP (sc-374117 HRP), 200 μ g/ml, for WB, IHC(P) and ELISA; and to either phycoerythrin (sc-374117 PE), fluorescein (sc-374117 FITC) or Alexa Fluor® 488 (sc-374117 AF488) or Alexa Fluor® 647 (sc-374117 AF647), 200 μ g/ml, for WB (RGB), IF, IHC(P) and FCM.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-374117 P, (100 μ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% stabilizer protein).

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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.

APPLICATIONS

Agrin (D-2) is recommended for detection of Agrin of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:100, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 μ g per 100-500 μ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

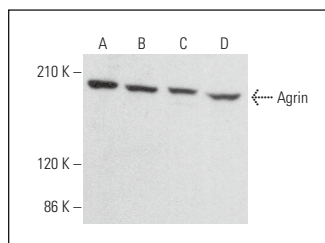
Agrin (D-2) is also recommended for detection of Agrin in additional species, including equine, canine and bovine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for Agrin siRNA (h): sc-29652, Agrin siRNA (m): sc-29653, Agrin siRNA (r): sc-61875, Agrin shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-29652-SH, Agrin shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-29653-SH, Agrin shRNA Plasmid (r): sc-61875-SH, Agrin shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29652-V, Agrin shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29653-V and Agrin shRNA (r) Lentiviral Particles: sc-61875-V.

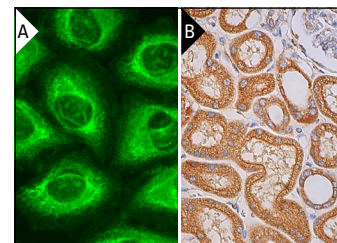
Molecular Weight of Agrin: 200 kDa.

Positive Controls: C6 whole cell lysate: sc-364373, SH-SY5Y cell lysate: sc-3812 or EOC 20 whole cell lysate: sc-364187.

DATA



Agrin (D-2): sc-374117. Western blot analysis of Agrin expression in EOC 20 (A), Neuro-2A (B), C6 (C) and SH-SY5Y (D) whole cell lysates.



Agrin (D-2): sc-374117. Immunofluorescence staining of methanol-fixed HeLa cells showing cytoplasmic localization (A). Immunoperoxidase staining of formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded human kidney tissue showing cytoplasmic staining of cells in tubules (B).

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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