

Hrk (N-20): sc-6972

BACKGROUND

Members of the Bcl-2 family of proteins interact to regulate programmed cell death, or apoptosis. Various homodimers and heterodimers formed by proteins in this family can either promote or inhibit apoptosis. Bcl-2 blocks cell death following a variety of stimuli and confers a death-sparing effect on certain hematopoietic cell lines following growth factor withdrawal. Additional apoptotic inhibitors in this family include Bcl-x, Bcl-w, Mcl-1, Bag-1 and A1. Pro-apoptotic members of this family include Bax, Bad, Bak, NBK (Bik), BID and Hrk. Hrk (for harakiri), designated DP5 or neuronal death protein in mouse and rat, contains a BH3 domain with high homology to other Bcl-2 family members but lacks the conserved BH1 and BH2 domains. Physical interaction of Hrk with Bcl-2 or Bcl-x_L inhibits the apoptotic activity of Hrk.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: HRK (human) mapping to 12q24.22; Bid3 (mouse) mapping to 5 F.

SOURCE

Hrk (N-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the N-terminus of Hrk 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.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-6972 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

APPLICATIONS

Hrk (N-20) is recommended for detection of Hrk of human and, to a lesser extent, mouse and rat 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).

Hrk (N-20) is also recommended for detection of Hrk in additional species, including canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for Hrk siRNA (h): sc-37303, Hrk siRNA (m): sc-37304, Hrk shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37303-SH, Hrk shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-37304-SH, Hrk shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37303-V and Hrk shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37304-V.

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.

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.

PROTOCOLS

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