

BDNF (C-9): sc-8042

BACKGROUND

Neurotrophins function to regulate naturally occurring cell death of neurons during development. The prototype neurotrophin is nerve growth factor (NGF), originally discovered in the 1950s as a soluble peptide promoting the survival of, and neurite outgrowth from, sympathetic ganglia. Three additional structurally homologous neurotrophic factors have been identified. These include brain-derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF), neurotrophin-3 (NT-3) and neurotrophin-4 (NT-4) (also designated NT-5). These various neurotrophins stimulate the *in vitro* survival of distinct, but partially overlapping, populations of neurons. The cell surface receptors through which neurotrophins mediate their activity have been identified. For instance, the Trk A receptor is the preferential receptor for NGF, but also binds NT-3 and NT-4. The Trk B receptor binds both BDNF and NT-4 equally well, and binds NT-3 to a lesser extent, while the Trk C receptor only binds NT-3.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: BDNF (human) mapping to 11p14.1; Bdnf (mouse) mapping to 2 E3.

SOURCE

BDNF (C-9) is a mouse monoclonal antibody specific for an epitope mapping between amino acids 125-150 within an internal region of BDNF of human origin.

RESEARCH USE

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

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG_{2a} in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

BDNF (C-9) is recommended for detection of precursor and mature BDNF 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 immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500).

BDNF (C-9) is also recommended for detection of precursor and mature BDNF in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for BDNF siRNA (h): sc-42121, BDNF siRNA (m): sc-42122, BDNF shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-42121-SH, BDNF shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42122-SH, BDNF shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42121-V and BDNF shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42122-V.

Molecular Weight of BDNF precursor: 32 kDa.

Molecular Weight of mature BDNF: 14 kDa.

Positive Controls: mouse skin, SH-SY5Y cell lysate: sc-3812 or U-87 MG cell lysate: sc-2411.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-mouse IgG-HRP: sc-2005 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:32,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-mouse IgG-HRP: sc-2031 (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 goat anti-mouse IgG-FITC: sc-2010 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-mouse IgG-TR: sc-2781 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941. 3) Immunohistochemistry: use ImmunoCruz™: sc-2050 or ABC: sc-2017 mouse IgG Staining Systems.

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.