

# NPSF (H-40): sc-98572

## BACKGROUND

The human RFamide-related peptide gene, RFRP (also designated NPVF or C7orf9), is responsible for encoding three small neuropeptides designated NPSF (RFRP-1), RFRP-2 and RFRP-3 (NPVF). The homologous gene in rodents encodes only two functional neuropeptide: NPSF (RFRP-1) and RFRP-3 (NPVF). RFamide-related peptides constitute a large family of neuropeptides in a wide range of species that are known to play a role in neurotransmission, neuromodulation, cardioexcitation and control of muscle contraction. Neuropeptides NPSF and RFRP-3 efficiently inhibit Forskolin-induced production of cAMP. RFRP-2, however, does not appear to have a similar inhibitory activity. RFamide-related peptides are secreted and abundantly expressed in retina. NPSF and RFRP-3 are also widely distributed in fetal and adult brain, including the forebrain, hypothalamus, thalamus, midbrain, pons and medulla oblongata. RFRP-1 and the prolactin (PRL)-releasing peptide-31 (PrRP-31) may be involved in the stimulation of stress hormone secretion by either direct pituitary or indirect hypothalamic actions. In rats, NPSF has been shown to induce prolactin secretion while RFRP-3 blocks morphine-induced analgesia.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: NPVF (human) mapping to 7p15.3.

## SOURCE

NPSF (H-40) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 56-95 mapping within an internal region of RFamide-related neuropeptide NPSF of human origin.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PRODUCT

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

## APPLICATIONS

NPSF (H-40) is recommended for detection of Neuropeptide NPSF of 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).

NPSF (H-40) is also recommended for detection of Neuropeptide NPSF in additional species, including equine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for RFRP siRNA (h): sc-44797, RFRP shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-44797-SH and RFRP shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-44797-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.

## STORAGE

Store at 4° C, **\*\*DO NOT FREEZE\*\***. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

## PROTOCOLS

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