

vezatin (T-20): sc-16695

BACKGROUND

Vezatin is a single transmembrane domain containing mammalian adhesion protein that is ubiquitously expressed at adherens cell-cell junctions. Adherens junctions (zonula adherens) are cell-cell junctions that host microfilaments and/or intermediate filaments, which can coordinate with focal adhesion proteins and mediate tissue organization and morphogenesis. Vezatin interacts with Actin filamentous networks and anchors myosin VIIA to cadherin complexes, thereby creating a network between adherens junctions and the Actin cytoskeleton. This may enhance cell-cell adhesion characteristics and influence cadherin-based signals. Vezatin is concentrated in the fibrillar links interconnecting the bases of adjacent stereocilia in the inner ear sensory hair cells and may mediate proper positioning of hair cell stereocilia. Loss of a functional vezatin-myosin VIIA complex at both the adherent junctions and the base of the stereocilia is likely to account for the splaying out of the stereocilia observed in *Myo7a^{-/-}* animals. Vezatin recruitment to adherens junctions implicates the C-terminal region of α -catenin.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: VEZT (human) mapping to 12q22.

SOURCE

vezatin (T-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of vezatin of human origin.

STORAGE

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

PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-16695 P, (100 μ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

APPLICATIONS

vezatin (T-20) is recommended for detection of vezatin of 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 solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

vezatin (T-20) is also recommended for detection of vezatin in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine, porcine and avian.

Suitable for use as control antibody for vezatin siRNA (h): sc-43199, vezatin shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43199-SH and vezatin shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43199-V.

Molecular Weight of vezatin: 89 kDa.

Positive Controls: HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200.

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.

RESEARCH USE

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

PROTOCOLS

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