**BACKGROUND**

Glucosylceramide synthase (GCS), also designated ceramide glucosyltransferase, belongs to the glycosyltransferase 2 family. It is a widely expressed integral membrane protein encoded by UGCG. The enzyme can be found in the plasma membrane of all eukaryotic cells, and a significant concentration of glucosylceramide synthase activity has been reported in the Golgi complex. Glucosylceramide synthase catalyzes the first glycosylation step in glycosphingolipid biosynthesis and functions as a glucosyltransferase and flippase in the transfer of glucose to ceramide. Glucosylceramide synthase operates in cell recognition, cell proliferation and differentiation, immune recognition and signal transduction. The regulation of ceramide levels through glucosylceramide synthase has been associated with the induction of apoptosis and notable research implicates this relationship with drug-induced apoptosis in a variety of cell types.

**REFERENCES**


**APPLICATIONS**

UGCG (1E5) is recommended for detection of UGCG of mouse, rat and 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)] and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Suitable for use as control antibody for UGCG siRNA (h): sc-45404, UGCG siRNA (m): sc-45405, UGCG shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-45404-SH, UGCG shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-45405-SH, UGCG shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45404-V and UGCG shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45405-V.

Molecular Weight of UGCG: 38 kDa.

Positive Controls: HL-60 whole cell lysate: sc-2209.

**RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use m-IgG HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz® Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml).

**DATA**

UGCG (1E5): sc-293235 Western blot analysis of UGCG expression in HL-60 whole cell lysate. UGCG (1E5) sc-293235 Western blot analysis of human recombinant UGCG fusion protein.

**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**

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support products.