

Bax (1-171): sc-4239 WB

BACKGROUND

The Bcl-2 gene was isolated at the chromosomal breakpoint of t-bearing follicular B cell lymphomas. Bcl-2 blocks cell death following a variety of stimuli and confers a death-sparing effect to certain hematopoietic cell lines following growth factor withdrawal. Bcl-2 is localized to outer mitochondrial membranes and endoplasmic reticulum as well as nuclear membranes. A related protein, designated Bax p21 (for Bcl-associated X protein), has extensive amino acid homology with Bcl-2 and both homodimerizes and forms heterodimers with Bcl-2. Overexpression of Bax accelerates apoptotic death induced by cytokine deprivation in an IL-3 dependent cell line, and Bax also counters the death repressor activity of Bcl-2.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: BAX (human) mapping to 19q13.33; Bax (mouse) mapping to 7 B5.

SOURCE

Bax (1-171) is expressed in *E. coli* as a 47 kDa polyhistidine tagged fusion protein corresponding to amino acids 1-171 representing all but the C-terminal 21 amino acid residues of Bax of mouse origin.

RESEARCH USE

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

PRODUCT

Bax (1-171) is purified from bacterial lysates (> 98%) by Ni²⁺ affinity chromatography; supplied as 10 µg in 0.1 ml SDS-PAGE loading buffer.

APPLICATIONS

Bax (1-171) is suitable as a Western blotting control for sc-493, sc-526, sc-1716, sc-6236 and sc-7480.

Molecular Weight of Bax: 23 kDa.

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STORAGE

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PROTOCOLS

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