# Complexin-1/2 (B-9): sc-514321



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### **BACKGROUND**

Complexin-1 and Complexin-2, also designated Synaphin-1 and Synaphin-2, contain an  $\alpha$ -helical middle domain of approximately 58 amino acids. Complexin-1 and Complexin-2 are expressed in presynaptic terminals of inhibitory and excitatory hippocampal neurons, respectively, and in cytoplasmic pools during early stages of development. Complexins promote SNARE (soluble N-ethylmaleimide-sensitive factor attachment protein receptors) precomplex formation by binding to synaxin with its  $\alpha$ -helical domain. Complexins are important regulators of transmitter release at a late step in calcium dependent neurotransmitter release or immediately after the calcium-triggering step of fast synchronous transmitter release and preceding vesicle fusion. Neurons lacking complexins show reduced transmitter release efficiency due to decreased calcium sensitivity of the synaptic secretion process. Complexin-2 may play a role in only LTP (long term potentiation) following tetanic stimulation. A progressive loss of Complexin-2 occurs in the brains of mice carrying the Huntington disease mutation, an autosomal dominant neurodegenerative disorder. Changes in the neurotransmitter release might contribute to the motor, emotional and cognitive dysfunctions seen in these mice.

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## **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: CPLX1 (human) mapping to 4p16.3, CPLX2 (human) mapping to 5q35.2.

## **SOURCE**

Complexin-1/2 (B-9) is a mouse monoclonal antibody specific for an epitope mapping between amino acids 54-73 within an internal region of Complexin-1 of human origin.

### **PRODUCT**

Each vial contains 200  $\mu g$   $lgG_1$  kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-514321 P, ( $100 \mu g$  peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% stabilizer protein).

# **APPLICATIONS**

Complexin-1/2 (B-9) is recommended for detection of Complexin-1 and Complexin-2 of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:100, 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).

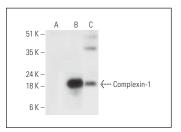
Molecular Weight of Complexin-1/2: 15 kDa.

Positive Controls: Complexin-1 (h): 293T Lysate: sc-110107 or human cerebral cortex extract: sc-516707.

# **RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>™</sup> 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). 3) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz\* Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz\* Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

## DATA



Complexin-1/2 (B-9): sc-514321. Western blot analysis of Complexin-1/2 expression in non-transfected 293T: sc-117752 (A) and human Complexin-1 transfected 293T: sc-110107 (B) whole cell lysates and human cerebral cortex tissue extract (C).

#### **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**

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