

PROX1 Antibody

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Applications: W	Reactivity: H	Sensitivity: Endogenous	MW (kDa): 85	Source/Isotype: Rabbit	UniProt ID: #Q92786	Entrez-Gene Id: 5629
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Product Usage Information**Application**

Western Blotting

Dilution

1:1000

Storage

Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg/ml BSA and 50% glycerol. Store at -20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.

Specificity/Sensitivity

PROX1 Antibody recognizes endogenous levels of total PROX1 protein.

Source / Purification

Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to residues surrounding Pro570 of human PROX1 protein. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.

Background

Prospero homeobox protein 1 (PROX1) is a transcription factor known for its roles in organ development and lymphangiogenesis. It plays a critical role in the development of the CNS, lens, retina, liver, pancreas, and heart, and is considered to be the master regulator of the lymphatic system (1,2). PROX1 initiates the differentiation of lymphatic vasculature from the cardinal vein, where it is regulated by Sox18 (3,4). The PROX1 suppressor COUP-TFII represses the Notch pathway in venous endothelium, which prevents arterialization (4). HIF-1 α and HIF-1 β mediated hypoxia induces PROX1, which suggests a means of promoting lymphangiogenesis. Since the tumor microenvironment is typically hypoxic, regulation of PROX1 by hypoxia may also explain the up-regulation of this transcription factor in some cancers (2). PROX1 promotes colon cancer progression by down-regulating E-cadherin via miR-9, which promotes epithelial-mesenchymal transition (EMT) and metastasis (5). The PROX1 protein can act as a tumor suppressor in cases of hepatocellular carcinoma. PROX1 represses transcription of TWIST1, a transcription factor that promotes metastasis by binding the E-cadherin promoter. The function of PROX1 in other cancers is an area of active research (6).

Background References

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Species Reactivity

Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

Western Blot Buffer

IMPORTANT: For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted primary antibody in 5% w/v nonfat dry milk, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween® 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

Applications Key

W: Western Blotting

Cross-Reactivity Key

H: Human

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