

GCN2 Antibody



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Applications: W, IP	Reactivity: H M R Mk	Sensitivity: Endogenous	MW (kDa): 220	Source/Isotype: Rabbit	UniProt ID: #Q9P2K8	Entrez-Gene Id: 440275
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Product Usage Information

Application

Western Blotting
Immunoprecipitation

Dilution

1:1000
1:100

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

GCN2 Antibody detects endogenous levels of GCN2 protein independent of phosphorylation.

Source / Purification

Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to sequence near the amino terminus of human GCN2. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.

Background

Phosphorylation of the eukaryotic initiation factor 2 (eIF2) alpha subunit is a well-documented mechanism of downregulating protein synthesis under a variety of stress conditions. Kinases activated by viral infection (PKR), endoplasmic reticulum stress (PERK/PEK), amino acid deprivation (GCN2), and hemin deficiency (HRI) can phosphorylate the eIF2 alpha subunit (1,2). GCN2 is also required for UV light-induced translation inhibition, and *in vivo* phosphorylation of murine GCN2 at Thr898 is induced by both UV irradiation and by leucine deprivation (3). UV-induced activation of NF-κB also requires GCN2, which may act simply by preventing translation of IκB-alpha to replace pools that have been ubiquitinated and degraded (4). Interestingly, proteasome inhibitors (MG132 and ALLN) activate the GCN2/eIF2alpha pathway, suggesting a pivotal role for this kinase in stress response and ubiquitin-mediated signaling (5). *In vitro* autophosphorylation of yeast GCN2 within its activation loop at Thr882 and Thr887 (Thr898 and Thr903 in mouse) has also been reported (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 BSA, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween@ 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

Applications Key

W: Western Blotting **IP:** Immunoprecipitation

Cross-Reactivity Key

H: Human **M:** Mouse **R:** Rat **Mk:** Monkey

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