

Akt (5G3) Mouse mAb

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MW (kDa):	Source/Isotype:	UniProt ID:	Entrez-Gene Id:
60	Mouse IgG1	#P31751, #Q9Y243, #P31749	208, 10000, 207

Storage

Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg/ml BSA, 50% glycerol and less than 0.02% sodium azide. Store at -20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.

Specificity/Sensitivity

Akt (5G3) Mouse mAb can be used in high throughput kinase assays and drug discovery applications. It detects total Akt protein.

Source / Purification

Monoclonal antibody is produced by immunizing animals with a recombinant Akt1 protein containing human Akt residues 140-480. (Antibody is purified by protein G affinity chromatography.)

Background

Akt, also referred to as PKB or Rac, plays a critical role in controlling cell survival and apoptosis (1-3). This protein kinase is activated by insulin and various growth and survival factors to function in a wortmannin-sensitive pathway involving PI3 kinase (2,3). Akt is activated by phospholipid binding and activation loop phosphorylation at Thr308 by PDK1 (4) and by phosphorylation within the carboxy terminus at Ser473. The previously elusive PDK2 responsible for phosphorylation of Akt at Ser473 has been identified as mammalian target of rapamycin (mTOR) in a rapamycin-insensitive complex with rictor and Sin1 (5,6). Akt promotes cell survival by inhibiting apoptosis through phosphorylation and inactivation of several targets, including Bad (7), forkhead transcription factors (8), c-Raf (9), and caspase-9. PTEN phosphatase is a major negative regulator of the PI3K/Akt signaling pathway (10). LY294002 is a specific PI3 kinase inhibitor (11). Another essential Akt function is the regulation of glycogen synthesis through phosphorylation and inactivation of GSK-3α and β (12,13). Akt may also play a role in insulin stimulation of glucose transport (12). In addition to its role in survival and glycogen synthesis, Akt is involved in cell cycle regulation by preventing GSK-3β-mediated phosphorylation and degradation of cyclin D1 (14) and by negatively regulating the cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitors p27 Kip1 (15) and p21 Waf1/Cip1 (16). Akt also plays a critical role in cell growth by directly phosphorylating mTOR in a rapamycin-sensitive complex containing raptor (17). More importantly, Akt phosphorylates and inactivates tuberlin (TSC2), an inhibitor of mTOR within the mTOR-raptor complex (18,19).

Description: Cell Signaling Technology antibody formulated in PBS (no BSA/no glycerol) and quality controlled for use in ELISA and other drug discovery applications. This is a sample antibody and intended for use by drug discovery scientists. Please inquire for bulk pricing of this antibody.

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Species Reactivity

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

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