Androgen Receptor (AR-V7 Specific) Antibody

**Applications:** W—Western IP—Immunoprecipitation IHC—Immunohistochemistry ChIP—Chromatin Immunoprecipitation

**Species Cross-Reactivity:**

- W—Endogenous
- H—Human

**Molecular Wt.:** 80 kDa

**Source:** Rabbit*

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**Background:** Androgen receptor (AR), a zinc finger transcription factor belonging to the nuclear receptor superfamily, is activated by phosphorylation and dimerization upon ligand binding (1). This promotes nuclear localization and binding of AR to androgen response elements in androgen target genes. Research studies have shown that AR plays a crucial role in several stages of male development and the progression of prostate cancer (2,3).

The AR3 or AR-V7 isoform, which lacks the typical ligand binding domain, is created through the alternative splicing of cryptic exons (4-5). AR-V7 is frequently expressed in castration-resistant prostate cancer (CRPC) and while dependent on the activity of the full-length androgen receptor (AR-FL), AR-V7 can activate a completely distinct transcriptional program (6-8). While enzalutamide and abiraterone have been beneficial in treating CRPC through the ligand binding domain of AR-FL, resistance in patients has been shown to be associated with AR-V7 detection in circulating tumor cells (9-12). Studies probing mechanisms of overcoming this resistance are currently being explored and may help in stratifying patient populations for more personalized therapies (13-15).

**Background References:**


**Specificity/Sensitivity:** Androgen Receptor (AR-V7 Specific) Antibody recognizes endogenous levels of total AR-V7 protein. This antibody does not cross-react with full-length AR protein.

**Source/Purification:** Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to residues surrounding Lue639 of human androgen receptor (V7 isoform) protein. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.

**Western blot analysis of extracts from various cell lines using Androgen Receptor (AR-V7 Specific) Antibody (upper) and β-Actin (D6A8) Rabbit mAb #8457 (lower). Signal corresponding to the androgen receptor V7 isoform is detected in 22Rv1 and VCAP cells (AR-V7-positive), but is not detected in LNCaP and DU 145 cells (AR-V7-negative), confirming specificity of the antibody.**

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**Recommended Antibody Dilutions:** Western blotting 1:1000

**For product specific protocols and a complete listing of recommended companion products please see the product web page at www.cellsignal.com**

**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.

*Anti-rabbit secondary antibodies must be used to detect this antibody.

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