

Lefty1 Antibody

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Applications:	Reactivity:	Sensitivity:	MW (kDa):	Source/Isotype:	UniProt ID:	Entrez-Gene Id:
W	H	Transfected Only	40	Rabbit	#O75610	10637

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

Lefty1 Antibody recognizes transfected levels of total lefty1 protein.

Source / Purification

Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to residues surrounding Pro233 of human lefty1 protein. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.

Background

Lefty proteins are members of the TGF-β family of cell signaling molecules that are involved in growth and development (1,2). Named for their role in left-right axis determination and their exclusive expression on the left side of the developing mouse embryo, lefty1 and lefty2 contain a cysteine-knot motif that is characteristic of TGF-β related proteins, but lack an alpha-helix and a cysteine residue critical for ligand dimerization (3). Early in vertebrate embryogenesis, lefty represses TGF-β signaling by inhibiting the phosphorylation of Smad2 following activation of the TGF-β receptor (4). Down-regulated very early upon differentiation (5), lefty proteins act as extracellular antagonists of the signaling pathway for Nodal, a TGF-β ligand critical for left-right patterning and formation of the mesoderm and endoderm (6). Similar to other members of the TGF-β superfamily, lefty preproteins undergo cleavage to release a bioactive protein (7). The biologically active 42 kDa lefty precursor and the 28 kDa polypeptide have been shown to induce MAPK activity (7).

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

Cross-Reactivity Key

H: Human

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