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AMPK Subunit Antibody Sampler Kit

1 Kit (7 x 20 microliters)

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Product Includes	Product #	Quantity	Mol. Wt	Isotype/Source
AMPKα1 Antibody	2795	20 µl	62 kDa	Rabbit
AMPKα2 Antibody	2757	20 µl	62 kDa	Rabbit
AMPKβ1 (71C10) Rabbit mAb	4178	20 µl	38 kDa	Rabbit IgG
AMPKβ2 Antibody	4148	20 µl	30 kDa	Rabbit
AMPKγ1 Antibody	4187	20 µl	37 kDa	Rabbit
AMPKγ2 Antibody	2536	20 µl	75 kDa	Rabbit
AMPKγ3 Antibody	2550	20 µl	54 kDa	Rabbit
Anti-rabbit IgG, HRP-linked Antibody	7074	100 µl		Goat

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Description

The AMPK Subunit Antibody Sampler Kit provides an economical means to investigate the role played by all AMPK subunits in cellular energy homeostasis. The kit contains enough primary and secondary antibodies to perform two Western blots with each antibody.

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.

Background

AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK) is highly conserved from yeast to plants and animals and plays a key role in the regulation of energy homeostasis (1). AMPK is a heterotrimeric complex composed of a catalytic α subunit and regulatory β and γ subunits, each of which is encoded by two or three distinct genes (α1, 2; β1, 2; γ1, 2, 3) (2). The kinase is activated by an elevated AMP/ATP ratio due to cellular and environmental stress, such as heat shock, hypoxia, and ischemia (1). The tumor suppressor LKB1, in association with accessory proteins STRAD and MO25, phosphorylates AMPKα at Thr172 in the activation loop, and this phosphorylation is required for AMPK activation (3-5). AMPKα is also phosphorylated at Thr258 and Ser485 (for α1; Ser491 for α2). The upstream kinase and the biological significance of these phosphorylation events have yet to be elucidated (6). The β1 subunit is post-translationally modified by myristoylation and multi-site phosphorylation including Ser24/25, Ser96, Ser101, Ser108, and Ser182 (6,7). Phosphorylation at Ser108 of the β1 subunit seems to be required for AMPK activation, while phosphorylation at Ser24/25 and Ser182 affects AMPK localization (7). Several mutations in AMPKγ subunits have been identified, most of which are located in the putative AMP/ATP binding sites (CBS or Bateman domains). Mutations at these sites lead to reduction of AMPK activity and cause glycogen accumulation in heart or skeletal muscle (1,2). Accumulating evidence indicates that AMPK not only regulates the metabolism of fatty acids and glycogen, but also modulates protein synthesis and cell growth through EF2 and TSC2/mTOR pathways, as well as blood flow via eNOS/nNOS (1).

Background References

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