

GABAA Receptor, a1-Subunit, N-Terminus Antibody

Affinity purified rabbit polyclonal antibody Catalog # AN1036

Specification

GABAA Receptor, a1-Subunit, N-Terminus Antibody - Product Information

Application WB
Primary Accession P62813
Reactivity Mouse, Rat

Predicted Bovine, Human, Monkey

Host Rabbit
Clonality polyclonal
Calculated MW 51 KDa

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Gene ID 29705 Gene Name GABRA1

Other Names

Gamma-aminobutyric acid receptor subunit alpha-1, GABA(A) receptor subunit alpha-1, Gabra1, Gabra-1

Target/Specificity

Synthetic peptide corresponding to amino acid residues from the N-terminal region conjugated to KLH.

Dilution

WB~~ 1:1000

Format

Prepared from rabbit serum by affinity purification using a column to which the peptide immunogen was coupled.

Antibody Specificity

Specific for the \sim 51k α 1-subunit of the GABAA receptor in Western blots of rat brain. Labeling is absent in α 1-subunit knockout animals.

Storage

Maintain refrigerated at 2-8°C for up to 6 months. For long term storage store at -20°C in small aliquots to prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

Precautions

GABAA Receptor, $\alpha 1$ -Subunit, N-Terminus Antibody is for research use only and not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

Shipping

Blue Ice

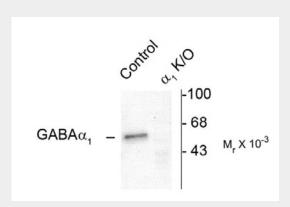


GABAA Receptor, a1-Subunit, N-Terminus Antibody - Protocols

Provided below are standard protocols that you may find useful for product applications.

- Western Blot
- Blocking Peptides
- Dot Blot
- <u>Immunohistochemistry</u>
- Immunofluorescence
- <u>Immunoprecipitation</u>
- Flow Cytomety
- Cell Culture

GABAA Receptor, a1-Subunit, N-Terminus Antibody - Images



Western blot of mouse forebrain lysates from Wild Type (Control) and α 1-knockout (α 1-K/O) animals showing specific immunolabeling of the ~51k α 1-subunit of the GABAA-R. The labeling was absent from a lysate prepared from α 1-knockout animals.

GABAA Receptor, a1-Subunit, N-Terminus Antibody - Background

Gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) is the primary inhibitory neurotransmitter in the central nervous system, causing a hyperpolarization of the membrane through the opening of a CI- channel associated with the GABAA receptor (GABAA-R) subtype. GABAA-Rs are important therapeutic targets for a range of sedative, anxiolytic, and hypnotic agents and are implicated in several diseases including epilepsy, anxiety, depression, and substance abuse. The GABAA-R is a multimeric subunit complex. To date six α s, four β s and four γ s, plus alternative splicing variants of some of these subunits, have been identified (Olsen and Tobin, 1990; Whiting et al., 1999; Ogris et al., 2004). Injection in oocytes or mammalian cell lines of cRNA coding for α - and β -subunits results in the expression of functional GABAA-Rs sensitive to GABA. However, coexpression of a γ -subunit is required for benzo-diazepine modulation. The various effects of the benzodiazepines in brain may also be mediated via different α -subunits of the receptor (McKernan et al., 2000; Mehta and Ticku, 1998; Ogris et al., 2004; Pöltl et al., 2003).

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