

**GABAA Receptor,  $\alpha$ 6-Subunit Antibody**  
**Rabbit polyclonal antibody**  
**Catalog # AN1041****Specification**

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**GABAA Receptor,  $\alpha$ 6-Subunit Antibody - Product Information**

Application	WB, FC
Primary Accession	<a href="#">P30191</a>
Reactivity	Mouse, Rat
Host	Rabbit
Clonality	polyclonal
Calculated MW	57 KDa

**GABAA Receptor,  $\alpha$ 6-Subunit Antibody - Additional Information**

Gene ID	29708
Gene Name	GABRA6
<b>Other Names</b>	
Gamma-aminobutyric acid receptor subunit alpha-6, GABA(A) receptor subunit alpha-6, Gabra6, Gabra-6	

**Target/Specificity**

Synthetic peptide corresponding to amino acid residues specific to the alpha 6 subunit conjugated to KLH.

**Dilution**

WB~~ 1:1000

FC~~1:500

**Format**

Unpurified neat serum.

**Antibody Specificity**

Labels the ~57k  $\alpha$ 6-subunit of the GABAA receptor in Western blots of rat brain extracts.

**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,  $\alpha$ 6-Subunit Antibody is for research use only and not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

**Shipping**

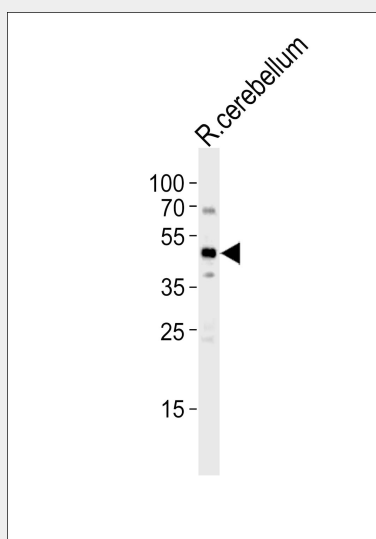
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**GABAA Receptor,  $\alpha$ 6-Subunit Antibody - Protocols**

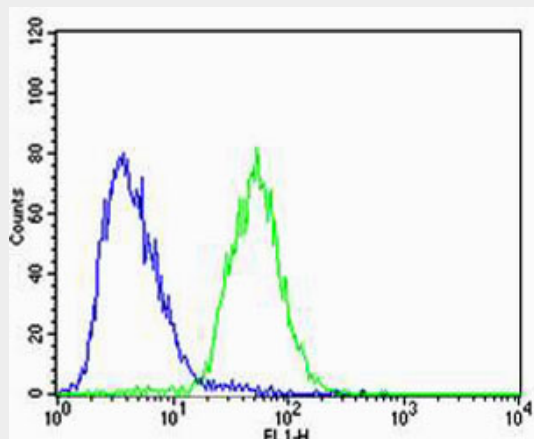
Provided below are standard protocols that you may find useful for product applications.

- [Western Blot](#)
- [Blocking Peptides](#)
- [Dot Blot](#)
- [Immunohistochemistry](#)
- [Immunofluorescence](#)
- [Immunoprecipitation](#)
- [Flow Cytometry](#)
- [Cell Culture](#)

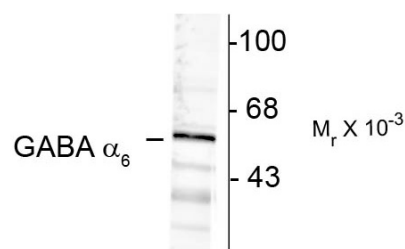
#### **GABAA Receptor, $\alpha 6$ -Subunit Antibody - Images**



Western blot analysis of lysate from rat cerebellum tissue lysate, using Gabra6 Antibody (Cat. #AN1041). AN1041 was diluted at 1:1000. A goat anti-rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) at 1:10000 dilution was used as the secondary antibody. Lysate at 20ug.



Flow cytometric analysis of SH-SY5Y cells using Park7 (DJ-1) Antibody (green, Cat#AN1041) compared to an isotype control of rabbit IgG (blue). AN1041 was diluted at 1:500 dilution. An Alexa Fluor® 488 goat anti-rabbit IgG at 1:400 dilution was used as the secondary antibody.



Western blot of rat cortex lysate showing immunolabeling of the ~57k  $\alpha_6$ -subunit of the GABAA-R.

### GABAA Receptor, $\alpha_6$ -Subunit 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  $\text{Cl}^-$  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  $\alpha$ s, four  $\beta$ s and four  $\gamma$ 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  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -subunits results in the expression of functional GABAA-Rs sensitive to GABA. However, coexpression of a  $\gamma$ -subunit is required for benzodiazepine modulation. The various effects of the benzodiazepines in brain may also be mediated via different  $\alpha$ -subunits of the receptor (McKernan et al., 2000; Mehta and Ticku, 1998; Ogris et al., 2004; Pörtl et al., 2003). Lastly, phosphorylation of  $\beta$ -subunits of the receptor has been shown to modulate GABAA-R function (Brandon et al., 2003).

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