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Product Information

Anti-VASP (C-terminal)

produced in rabbit, affinity isolated antibody

Product Number V3390

Product Description

Anti-VASP (C-terminal) is produced in rabbit using as the immunogen a synthetic peptide corresponding to a sequence at the C-terminal of human VASP (Gene ID: 7408) conjugated to KLH. The corresponding sequence is highly conserved (single amino acid substitution) in mouse and rat VASP. The antibody is affinity-purified using the immunizing peptide immobilized on agarose.

Anti-VASP (C-terminal) specifically recognizes human, dog, and rat VASP. The antibody may be used in various immunochemical techniques including immunoblotting (~46 kDa) and immunofluorescence. Staining of the VASP band by immunoblotting is specifically inhibited by the VASP immunizing peptide.

VASP (vasodilator-stimulated phosphoprotein) belongs to the family of Ena/VASP actin-regulatory proteins that are implicated in cell motility and adhesion. 1-3 VASP is localized at highly dynamic membrane regions, focal adhesion sites, lamellipodia protrusions, filopodia tips, and along stress fibers. VASP is also localized at cellmatrix and cell-cell contacts, and plays an important role in adherens junction formation and stabilization in epithelial cells.

VASP is a substrate for cAMP- and cGMP-dependent protein kinases. It is phosphorylated at multiple sites including Ser¹⁵⁷, Ser²³⁹, and Thr²⁷⁸. CGMP-dependent protein kinase I (cGKI) phosphorylates VASP in a variety of cells, including platelets, fibroblasts, and endothelial cells. In platelets, cGMP-mediated phosphorylation of VASP correlates with inhibition of agonist-induced platelet aggregation.⁵

Ena/VASP proteins are required for neurite initiation and extension in the developing cortex. VASP has been shown to be required for endothelial barrier function *in vivo*. Knockout of Ena/VASP proteins in mice leads to increased endothelial permeability causing fatal vascular leakage and hemorrhaging during late embryonic development. In contrast, over expression of VASP enhances barrier function of endothelial cells *in vitro* and increases their force generation.

Reagent

Supplied as a solution in 0.01 M phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4, containing 15 mM sodium azide as a preservative.

Antibody concentration: ~1.5 mg/mL

Precautions and Disclaimer

For R&D use only. Not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

Store at –20 °C. For continuous use, the product may be stored at 2–8 °C for up to one month. For extended storage, freeze in working aliquots at –20 °C. Repeated freezing and thawing, or storage in "frost-free" freezers, is not recommended. If slight turbidity occurs upon prolonged storage, clarify the solution by centrifugation before use. Working dilutions should be discarded if not used within 12 hours.

Product Profile

 $\underline{\text{Immunoblotting}}:$ a working antibody concentration of 0.5-1 $\mu\text{g/mL}$ is recommended using K562, Rat2, and MDCK cell lysates.

 $\frac{Immunofluorescence}{5\text{-}10~\mu\text{g/mL}} \text{ is recommended using MDCK cells.}$

<u>Note</u>: In order to obtain best results in various techniques and preparations, it is recommended to determine optimal working dilutions by titration.

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