



Product Information

ANTI-FRA2

Affinity Isolated Antibody

Product Number **F-139**

Product Description

Anti-Fra2 was developed by immunizing rabbits with a synthetic peptide (Leu-Glu-Gln-Glu-Ser-Pro-Ala-Ser-Pro-Ser-Glu-Ser-Cys-Ser-Lys), derived from amino acids 288-302 from the C-terminal end of human Fra2, as the immunogen.

This antibody reacts strongly with Fra2 expressed in human HeLa cells in immunoblotting experiments.

Cellular oncogenes, or protooncogenes, play pivotal roles in cellular communication pathways that regulate normal growth, development and differentiation. The cellular oncogene families *fos* and *jun* encode nuclear proteins that can function as transcription factors. The *fos* family of nuclear oncogenes encode cFos, FosB, Fra1 (fos-related antigen), and Fra2.

Fos and Jun dimerize to form Activator Protein-1 (AP-1), a transcriptional factor that binds to the TPA (12-O-tetradecanoylphorbol 13-acetate) response element (TRE) of several cellular and viral genes including human collagenase, metallothionein IIa, stromelysin, interleukin 2, SV40 and polyoma. Fos and Jun contain the 'leucine-zipper' motif that allows for dimerization and an adjacent basic domain required for biological activity. The functionally active form of Fos is in a heterodimer with a member of the Jun family. While Jun family members can form functional homodimers, studies indicate that Fos family members do not self-associate and therefore do not bind DNA on their own. The various dimers differ in their ability to transactivate AP-1 dependent genes.

Reagents

Anti-Fra2 is supplied lyophilized from phosphate buffered saline solution and contains 0.05% sodium azide as a preservative.

Precautions and Disclaimer

Due to the sodium azide content a material safety data sheet (MSDS) for this product has been sent to the attention of the safety officer of your institution. Consult the MSDS for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Preparation Instructions

Reconstitute with 100 µl of distilled water. Be careful to re-constitute the entire contents of the vial, some parts of the lyophilized pellet may have become dislodged and may not be in the bottom of the vial.

Storage/Stability

For extended storage, solution may be frozen in working aliquots. Storage in "frost-free" freezers is not recommended. Repeated freezing and thawing is not recommended. If slight turbidity occurs upon prolonged storage, clarify by centrifugation before use.

Product Profile

Recommended starting titer for Anti-Fra2 is 10 µg/ml for immunoblotting. However, optimal concentration is dependent on assay and should be determined by serial dilutions.

References

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