BACKGROUND

The human RFamide-related peptide gene, RFRP (also designated NPVF or C7orf9), is responsible for encoding three small neuropeptides designated RFRP-1 (NPSF), RFRP-2 and RFRP-3 (NPVF). The homologous gene in rodents encodes only two functional neuropeptide: RFRP-1 (NPVF) and RFRP-3 (NPVF). RFamide-related peptides constitute a large family of neuropeptides in a wide range of species that are known to play a role in neurotransmission, neuromodulation, cardioexcitation and control of muscle contraction. Neuropeptides RFRP-1 and RFRP-3 efficiently inhibit Forskolin-induced production of cAMP. RFRP-2, however, does not appear to have a similar inhibitory activity. RFamide-related peptides are secreted and abundantly expressed in retina. RFRP-1 and RFRP-3 are also widely distributed in fetal and adult brain, including the forebrain, hypothalamus, thalamus, midbrain, pons and medulla oblongata. RFRP-1 and the prolactin (PRL)-releasing peptide-31 (PrRP-31) may be involved in the stimulation of stress hormone secretion by either direct pituitary or indirect hypothalamic actions.

REFERENCES


CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: NPVF (human) mapping to 7p15.2.

SOURCE

NPSF (H-40) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 56-95 mapping within an internal region of RFamide-related neuropeptide NPSF of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

NPSF (H-40) is recommended for detection of Neuropeptide NPSF of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 µg per 100-500 µg of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2004 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2030 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUSagarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml), 3) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-FITC: sc-2012 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rabbit IgG-TR: sc-2780 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

STORAGE

Store at 4°C, **DO NOT FREEZE**. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

PROTOCOLS

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