BACKGROUND

Agmatinase (also known as agmatine ureohydrolase) results from the decarboxylation of L-arginine by Arginine decarboxylase to form a metabolic intermediate in the biosynthesis of putresine and higher polyamines (spermidine and spermine). Agmatinase has been shown to play a role in several important biochemical processes in humans, ranging from effects on the central nervous system to cell proliferation in cancer and viral replication. Agmatinase catalyzes the hydrolysis of agmatine to putresine and urea and is a major target for drug therapy. Human Agmatinase retains about 30% identity to bacterial agmatinas and less than 20% identity to mammalian arginas. Residues required for binding of Mn²⁺ at the active site in bacterial Agmatinase and other members of the arginase superfamily are fully conserved in human Agmatinase. Agmatinase mRNA is most abundant in human liver and kidney, but is also expressed in several other tissues, including skeletal muscle and brain. Expression of Agmatinase mRNA in human liver is induced during hepatitis B virus infection, suggesting that Agmatinase may contribute to the pathophysiology of this disease.

REFERENCES


CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: AGMAT (human) mapping to 1p36.21; Agmat (mouse) mapping to 4 E1.

SOURCE

Agmatinase (H-108) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 53-160 mapping within an internal region of Agmatinase of human origin.

RESEARCH USE

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

PRODUCT

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

APPLICATIONS

Agmatinase (H-108) is recommended for detection of Agmatinase of mouse, rat and 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 PLUS-Agarose: 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.

PROTOCOLS

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