

DESCRIPTION

Source	Chinese Hamster Ovary cell line, CHO-derived mouse Integrin alpha 7 beta 1 protein			
	Mouse Integrin $\alpha 7$ (Phe34-Glu1033) Accession # NP_032424	His-Pro	GGGSGGGS	Acidic Tail
	Mouse Integrin $\beta 1$ (Gln21-Asp728) Accession # P09055	His-Pro	GGGSGGGS	Basic Tail
	N-terminus			C-terminus

N-terminal Sequence Analysis Phe34, Glu915 (Integrin $\alpha 7$) & Gln21 predicted, No results obtained: sequencing might be blocked (Integrin $\beta 1$)

Structure / Form Noncovalently-linked heterodimer

Predicted Molecular Mass 119 kDa (Integrin $\alpha 7$, full length), 22.4 kDa (Integrin $\alpha 7$, N-terminus starts at Glu915) & 86.5 kDa (Integrin $\beta 1$)

SPECIFICATIONS

SDS-PAGE	123-157 kDa, 95-100 kDa & 38-42 kDa, reducing conditions
Activity	Measured by its binding ability in a functional ELISA. When mouse Laminin I (Catalog # 3400-010-02) is coated at 10 μ g/mL, Recombinant Mouse Integrin $\alpha 7 \beta 1$ binds with an apparent K_D <0.5 nM.
Endotoxin Level	<0.10 EU per 1 μ g of the protein by the LAL method.
Purity	>95%, by SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions and visualized by silver stain.
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.2 μ m filtered solution in PBS. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution	Reconstitute at 400 μ g/mL in PBS.
Shipping	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.
Stability & Storage	Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 $^{\circ}$C as supplied. 1 month, 2 to 8 $^{\circ}$C under sterile conditions after reconstitution. 3 months, -20 to -70 $^{\circ}$C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

BACKGROUND

Integrin $\alpha 7 \beta 1$, also called VLA-7 (very late antigen-7), is the major laminin-binding integrin in cardiac and skeletal muscle (1-4). The non-covalent heterodimer is composed of ~150 kDa $\alpha 7$ and 130 kDa $\beta 1$ /CD29 type I transmembrane glycoprotein subunits with short cytoplasmic tails (2). While $\alpha 7$ pairs only with $\beta 1$, twelve integrins share the $\beta 1$ subunit (1-5). The longest version of $\alpha 7$ is the X1X2B form, encoding 1179 amino acids (aa). Six alternatively spliced 1116-1160 aa isoforms of the $\alpha 7$ subunits have short extracellular (X1, X2) or cytoplasmic (A, C) deletions. Isoforms are differentially expressed by tissue and developmental stage and may show preferences for specific laminins (3-5). The $\beta 1$ vWFA domain participates with the $\alpha 7$ FG-GAP motifs in ligand binding. The $\alpha 7$ subunit is cleaved into extracellular heavy and transmembrane/cytoplasmic light chains (3). The mouse $\alpha 7$ heavy chain shares 89%, 90%, 87% and 85% aa sequence identity with human, rat, feline and bovine $\alpha 7$, and the mouse $\beta 1$ ECD shares 98% aa identity with rat and 93-94% with human, bovine, porcine, ovine, canine and feline $\beta 1$. The $\alpha 7$ heavy chain in species other than mouse may also be cleaved at aa 603-605 by a serine protease; fragments remain associated. This form enhances the active, unfolded and open conformation, promoting cell adhesion and spreading (1, 2, 6). Adhesion of $\alpha 7 \beta 1$ to laminin-111 accounts for many of its effects, but $\alpha 7 \beta 1$ also binds most other laminins (5). It protects muscle from exercise-induced damage, and its absence in humans or mice causes a form of muscular dystrophy (7-9). $\alpha 7 \beta 1$ is also expressed in vascular smooth muscle (VSM), and is important for development of the cerebral vasculature (10). VSM cells show increased $\alpha 7 \beta 1$ expression and enhanced laminin binding in injury-induced atherosclerosis or PDGF treatment (11, 12). Deletion of $\alpha 7$ results in VSM hyperplasia, especially in response to injury (13).

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