

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Mouse
Specificity	Detects mouse Ephrin-A2 in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs and Western blots, less than 1% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse (rm) Ephrin-A1, recombinant human (rh) Ephrin-A3, rmEphrin-A4, rhEphrin-A5, rmEphrin-B1, rmEphrin-B2, and rhEphrin-B3 is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant mouse Ephrin-A2 Met1-Asn184 Accession # P52801
Endotoxin Level	<0.10 EU per 1 µg of the antibody by the LAL method.
Formulation	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with Trehalose. See Certificate of Analysis for details. *Small pack size (-SP) is supplied as a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS.

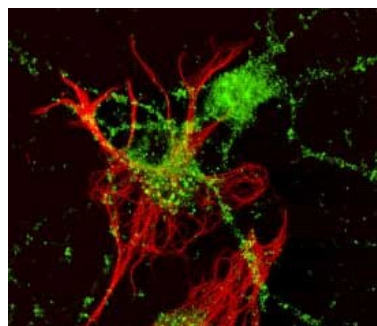
APPLICATIONS

Please Note: Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. *General Protocols* are available in the *Technical Information* section on our website.

	Recommended Concentration	Sample
Western Blot	0.1 µg/mL	Recombinant Mouse Ephrin-A2 Fc Chimera (Catalog # 603-A2)
Immunocytochemistry	5-15 µg/mL	See Below
Blockade of Receptor-ligand Interaction	In a functional ELISA, 1-5 µg/mL of this antibody will block 50% of the binding of 10 ng/mL of Recombinant Mouse Ephrin-A2 Fc Chimera (Catalog # 603-A2) to immobilized Recombinant Rat EphA5 Fc Chimera (Catalog # 541-A5) coated at 2 µg/mL (100 µL/well). At 50 µg/mL, this antibody will block >90% of the binding.	

DATA

Immunocytochemistry



Ephrin-A2 in Rat Hippocampal Neurons. Ephrin-A2 was detected in immersion fixed rat hippocampal neurons using 10 µg/mL Goat Anti-Mouse Ephrin-A2 Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF603) for 3 hours at room temperature. Neurons were stained (green) and glial cells were labeled by using anti-GFAP antibodies (red). View our protocol for [Fluorescent ICC Staining of Cells on Coverslips](#).

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Reconstitution	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
Shipping	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below. *Small pack size (-SP) is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at -20 to -70 °C
Stability & Storage	Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied. ● 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution. ● 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.

BACKGROUND

Ephrin-A2, also known as ELF-1, Cek7-L and LERK-6 (1), is a member of the Ephrin ligand family which binds members of the Eph receptor family. All ligands share a conserved extracellular sequence, which most likely corresponds to the receptor binding domain. This conserved sequence consists of approximately 125 amino acids (aa) and includes four invariant cysteines. The A-class ligands have a GPI anchor following the conserved sequence. Ephrin-A2 has been shown to bind EphA2, EphA3, EphA4, EphA5, EphA6, EphA7, and EphA8 (2, 3). The extracellular domains of human and mouse Ephrin-A2 share 93% aa identity. Only membrane-bound or Fc-clustered ligands are capable of activating the receptor *in vitro*. While soluble monomeric ligands bind the receptor they do not induce receptor autophosphorylation and activation (2). *In vivo*, the ligands and receptors display reciprocal expression.(3) It has been found that nearly all receptors and ligands are expressed in developing and adult neural tissue (3). The Eph/Ephrin families also appear to play a role in angiogenesis (3).

References:

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2. Flanagan, J.G. and P. Vanderhaegen (1998) Annu. Rev. Neurosci. **21**:309.
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