

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Mouse
Specificity	Detects mouse GDF-5 in direct ELISAs and Western blots. In direct ELISAs and Western blots, approximately 25% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse (rm) GDF-6 is observed, and less than 5% cross-reactivity with rmGDF-1, rmGDF-3, rmGDF-8, rmGDF-9, recombinant human GDF-11, and rhGDF-15 is observed.
Source	Polyclonal Goat IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	<i>E. coli</i> -derived recombinant mouse GDF-5 Ala376-Arg495 Accession # P43027
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.

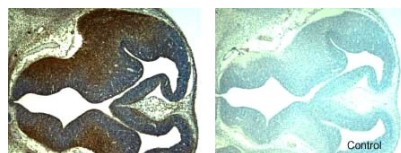
APPLICATIONS

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 GDF-5 (Catalog # 853-G5)
Immunohistochemistry	5-15 µg/mL	See Below

DATA

Immunohistochemistry



GDF-5 in Mouse Embryo.

GDF-5 was detected in immersion fixed frozen sections of mouse embryo (12 d.p.c.) using 15 µg/mL Goat Anti-Mouse GDF-5 Antigen Affinity-purified Polyclonal Antibody (Catalog # AF853) overnight at 4 °C. Tissue was stained with the Anti-Goat HRP-DAB Cell & Tissue Staining Kit (brown; Catalog # CTS008) and counterstained with hematoxylin (blue). View our protocol for [Chromogenic IHC Staining of Frozen Tissue Sections](#).

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

Growth Differentiation Factor 5 (GDF-5), also known as cartilage-derived morphogenetic protein 1 (CDMP-1), is a member of the bone morphogenetic protein (BMP) family which belongs to the transforming growth factor β (TGF-β) superfamily. GDF-5 is synthesized as a large precursor protein that consists of an N-terminal 19 amino acid (aa) signal sequence, a 362 aa pro region, and a 120 aa C-terminal mature peptide. Mature GDF-5 is a homodimeric protein which contains the characteristic seven conserved cysteine residues. GDF-5, GDF-6, and GDF-7, which share 80-86% identity, define a new subgroup within the BMP family. Like other TGF-β superfamily proteins, GDF-5 is highly conserved across species. At the amino acid sequence level, mature human and mouse GDF-5 are 98% identical. It has been reported that GDF-5 has multiple functions including regulation of myogenesis, regulation of chondrogenesis, bone morphogenesis, and neuron differentiation and survival. GDF-5 response is mediated by the formation of hetero-oligomeric complexes of type I (BMPR-IB) and type II (BMPR-II or Activin R-II) serine/threonine kinase receptors, and the activation of Smad proteins (Smad 1, 5, and 8).

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