

DESCRIPTION

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| Species Reactivity | Human |
| Specificity | Detects human Ephrin-A3 in Western blots. In Western blots, less than 1% cross-reactivity with recombinant human (rh) Ephrin-A4, recombinant mouse (rm) Ephrin-A1, rmEphrin-A2, rmEphrin-B1, rmEphrin-B2, rhEphrin-B3, and rhEphrin-A5 is observed. |
| Source | Polyclonal Goat IgG |
| Purification | Antigen Affinity-purified |
| Immunogen | Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human Ephrin-A3 Met1-Ser209 Accession # AAA52368 |
| Formulation | Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details. |

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 |
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| Western Blot | 0.1 µg/mL | Recombinant Human Ephrin-A3 Fc Chimera (Catalog # 359-EA) |

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

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| 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. |
| Stability & Storage | <p>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</p> <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-A3, also known as Ehk1-L, EFL-2, and LERK-3 (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 and includes four invariant cysteines. The A-class ligands have a GPI anchor following the conserved sequence. Ephrin-A3 has been shown to bind EphA2, EphA3, EphA4, EphA5, EphA6, EphA7, EphA8, and EphB1 (2, 3). The extracellular domains of human and mouse Ephrin-A3 share 96% amino acid 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).

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