

## DESCRIPTION

<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Mouse
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects mouse HGF R/c-MET in ELISAs and Western blots. In sandwich immunoassays, less than 0.2% cross-reactivity with recombinant human HGF R, recombinant mouse (rm) HGF A, and rmMSP R is observed.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	<i>S. frugiperda</i> insect ovarian cell line Sf 21-derived recombinant mouse HGF R/c-MET Glu25-Asn929 Accession # P16056
<b>Formulation</b>	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.

	<b>Recommended Concentration</b>	<b>Sample</b>
<b>Western Blot</b>	0.1 µg/mL	Recombinant Mouse HGF R/c-MET Fc Chimera (Catalog # 527-ME)
<b>Immunohistochemistry</b>	5-15 µg/mL	Immersion fixed frozen sections of mouse embryo (E13)
<b>Mouse HGF R/c-MET Sandwich Immunoassay</b>		<b>Reagent</b>
<b>ELISA Capture</b>	2-8 µg/mL	Mouse HGF R/c-MET Antibody (Catalog # MAB5271)
<b>ELISA Detection</b>	0.1-0.4 µg/mL	Mouse HGF R/c-MET Biotinylated Antibody (Catalog # BAF527)
<b>Standard</b>		Recombinant Mouse HGF R/c-MET Fc Chimera (Catalog # 527-ME)

## PREPARATION AND STORAGE

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

**BACKGROUND**

HGF R, also known as Met (from *N*-methyl-*N*-nitro-*N*-nitrosoguanidine induced), is a glycosylated receptor tyrosine kinase that plays a central role in epithelial morphogenesis and cancer development. HGF R is synthesized as a single chain precursor which undergoes cotranslational proteolytic cleavage. This generates a mature HGF R that is a disulfide-linked dimer composed of a 50 kDa extracellular  $\alpha$  chain and a 145 kDa transmembrane  $\beta$  chain (1, 2). The extracellular domain (ECD) contains a seven bladed  $\beta$ -propeller sema domain, a cysteine-rich PSI/MRS, and four Ig-like E-set domains, while the cytoplasmic region includes the tyrosine kinase domain (3, 4). An alternately spliced form of mouse HGF R lacks a cytoplasmic juxtamembrane region important for regulation of signal transduction (5, 6). The sema domain, which is formed by both the  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  chains of HGF R, mediates both ligand binding and receptor dimerization (3, 7). Ligand-induced tyrosine phosphorylation in the cytoplasmic region activates the kinase domain and provides docking sites for multiple SH2-containing molecules (8, 9). HGF stimulation induces HGF R downregulation *via* internalization and proteasome-dependent degradation (10). In the absence of ligand, HGF R forms noncovalent complexes with a variety of membrane proteins including CD44v6, CD151, EGF R, Fas, integrin  $\alpha 6/\beta 4$ , plexins B1, 2, 3, and MSP R/Ron (11-18). Ligation of one complex component triggers activation of the other, followed by cooperative signaling effects (11-18). Formation of some of these heteromeric complexes is a requirement for epithelial cell morphogenesis and tumor cell invasion (11, 15, 16). Paracrine induction of epithelial cell scattering and branching tubulogenesis results from the stimulation of HGF R on undifferentiated epithelium by HGF released from neighboring mesenchymal cells (19). Genetic polymorphisms, chromosomal translocation, overexpression, and additional splicing and proteolytic cleavage of HGF R have been described in a wide range of cancers (1). Within the ECD, mouse HGF R shares 87%, 87%, and 94% amino acid sequence identity with canine, human, and rat HGF R, respectively.

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