

DESCRIPTION

Species Reactivity	Human
Specificity	Detects the long isoform of recombinant human (rh) Lefty-A (aa 78-366) in direct ELISAs and Western blots. Does not cross-react with the short form of recombinant human Lefty-A (aa 136-366) or with rhART, recombinant mouse (rm) Artemin, rec
Source	Monoclonal Mouse IgG _{2A} Clone # 182515
Purification	Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant
Immunogen	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human Lefty-A Phe78-Pro366 Accession # O00292.2
Conjugate	Alexa Fluor 405 Excitation Wavelength: 405 nm Emission Wavelength: 421 nm
Formulation	Supplied 0.2mg/ml in 1X PBS with RDF1 and 0.09% Sodium Azide *Contains <0.1% Sodium Azide, which is not hazardous at this concentration according to GHS classifications. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for additional information and handling instructions.

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.

Western Blot Optimal dilution of this antibody should be experimentally determined.

PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Shipping The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.

Stability & Storage Protect from light. Do not freeze. 12 months from date of receipt, 2 to 8 °C as supplied

BACKGROUND

Lefty was first identified in a screen for undifferentiated cell-specific cDNAs from the P19 mouse embryonal carcinoma cells. Its mRNA expression on the left side of the developing embryo earned the name "Lefty". The human orthologue was initially identified as Ebaf, Endometrial Bleeding-Associated Factor. Two genes exist in mouse (Lefty-1 and Lefty-2) and two in humans (Lefty-A and Lefty-B). By amino acid sequence, human Lefty-A and -B are more similar to each other (96%) than to either Lefty-1 or -2 in the mouse (81-82% identical). Lefty contains the six cysteine residues that are conserved among TGF-β related proteins and that are necessary to form the cysteine-knot structure. However, Lefty is distinct from other family members in that it has two RXXR cleavage sites, a longer carboxy terminal sequence, and it lacks the cysteine residue required for intermolecular disulfide linkage. Thus, mature forms of Lefty are larger than mature forms of other TGF-β-related proteins. Lefty homologues have been identified in other vertebrate organisms including chick, frog, and zebrafish. Although the amino acid sequence identity is not well conserved among vertebrate species, the expression pattern of Lefty on the left side is well conserved. Furthermore its function in patterning left-right asymmetry of the developing organ systems such as the heart and lung is consistent in all vertebrate species examined. Lefty acts as an antagonist to Nodal signaling, potentially by competing for binding to a common receptor.

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