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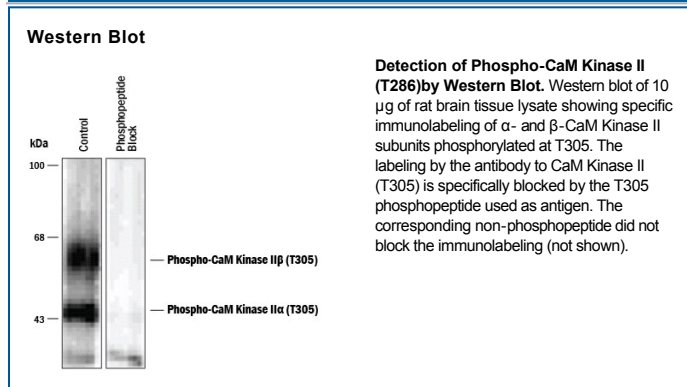
Species Reactivity	Human/Mouse/Rat/Bovine/Chicken/Xenopus
Specificity	Human, mouse, rat, bovine, chicken, Xenopus ~50 kDa α -CaM Kinase II and the ~60 kDa β -CaM Kinase II phosphorylated at T305 in Western blots.
Source	Polyclonal Rabbit Serum
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Phosphopeptide corresponding to amino acid residues surrounding phospho-T305 of CaM Kinase II
Formulation	100 μ L of unpurified neat rabbit serum. 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
Western Blot	1:1000 dilution	See Below

DATA



PREPARATION AND STORAGE

Shipping	The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.
Stability & Storage	For long-term storage, $\leq -20^{\circ}$ C is recommended. Product is stable at $\leq -20^{\circ}$ C for at least 1 year.

BACKGROUND

Calmodulin Kinase II (CaMKII) is a 500 kDa, 8-12 subunit multimer that belongs to the Ser/Thr protein kinase family. It is ubiquitously expressed and interacts with a very diverse group of substrates. In rat, there are four possible subunits/isozymes (α , β , γ , δ) that vary from 480-540 amino acids in length. The α - and β -isozymes predominate in the brain. Each subunit contains a catalytic, autoregulatory, and subunit-association domain. The enzyme complex is inactive, due to the association of an internal pseudosubstrate motif with each subunit's catalytic domain. CaMKII is regulated by calmodulin (CaM), an intracellular receptor for calcium. Following an influx of calcium, two Ca^{++} -CaM complexes interact with inactive CaMKII at the autoregulatory site of two adjacent CaMKII subunits. This dissociates the catalytic site from the pseudosubstrate motif, allowing for the auto(cross)-phosphorylation of T286 on one α -subunit (T287 on a β -subunit) by the catalytic site on an adjacent subunit. The T286 phosphorylation event blocks a reassociation of the catalytic domain with the internal pseudosubstrate motif, resulting in prolonged activation. Once activated, an autoinhibitory program ensues. The dissociation of Ca^{++} -CaM from CaMKII exposes a threonine at position 305. CaMKII autophosphorylation of threonine at this site downregulates existing CaMKII activity.

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