

DESCRIPTION

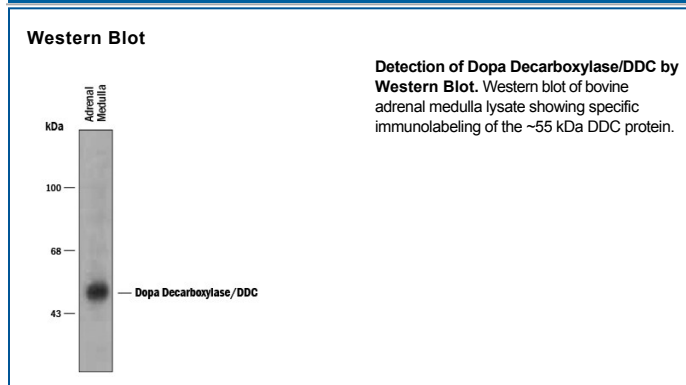
Species Reactivity	Human/Rat/Bovine/Canine/Guinea Pig/Rabbit/Sheep
Specificity	Human, bovine, canine, guinea pig, rabbit, rat, and sheep ~55 kDa DOPA Decarboxylase (DDC) in Western blots.
Source	Polyclonal Sheep IgG
Purification	Antigen Affinity-purified
Immunogen	Dopa Decarboxylase/DDC
Formulation	100 µL in 10 mM HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg/mL BSA and 50% glycerol. 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

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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, ≤ -20° C is recommended. Product is stable at ≤ -20° C for at least 1 year.

BACKGROUND

DOPA decarboxylase (Aromatic-L-amino acid decarboxylase; also DDC) is a 54 kDa member of the α-family of pyroxidal phosphate enzymes. Functional DDC is a homodimeric, pyridoxal phosphate-dependent enzyme that catalyzes the decarboxylation of DOPA to dopamine, L-tryptophan to tryptamine, and 5-hydroxytryptophan to serotonin. Both dopamine and serotonin are important neurotransmitters. It also demonstrates deaminase activity, and is regulated by O₂ availability. Bovine DDC is 487 amino acids (aa) in length and contains an N-terminal decarboxylase domain (aa 35-414) and a C-terminal pyroxidal binding site (L303). Bovine DDC is 88% and 86% aa identical to human and rat DDC, respectively.

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