

# GABAA Receptor, γ2-Subunit Antibody

Rabbit polyclonal antibody Catalog # AN1044

## Specification

# GABAA Receptor, y2-Subunit Antibody - Product Information

Application Primary Accession Reactivity Predicted

Host Clonality Calculated MW WB, IHC <u>P18508</u> Rat Chicken, Human, Mouse, Monkey, Zebrafish Rabbit polyclonal 46 KDa

## GABAA Receptor, y2-Subunit Antibody - Additional Information

Gene ID29709Gene NameGABRG2Other NamesGABRG2Gamma-aminobutyric acid receptor subunit gamma-2, GABA(A) receptor subunit gamma-2, Gabrg2

**Target/Specificity** Synthetic peptide corresponding to amino acid residues specific to the gamma 2 subunit conjugated to KLH.

**Dilution** WB~~ 1:1000 IHC~~ 1:400

**Format** Unpurified neat serum.

**Antibody Specificity** Specific for the  $\sim$ 46k y2-subunit of the GABAA receptor in Western blots of rat brain extracts.

#### Storage

Maintain refrigerated at 2-8°C for up to 6 months. For long term storage store at -20°C in small aliquots to prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

Precautions

GABAA Receptor,  $\gamma$ 2-Subunit Antibody is for research use only and not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

Shipping Blue Ice

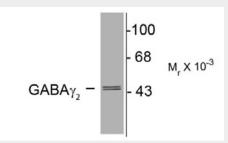


## GABAA Receptor, γ2-Subunit Antibody - Protocols

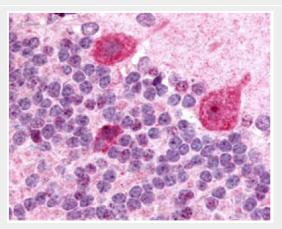
Provided below are standard protocols that you may find useful for product applications.

- <u>Western Blot</u>
- Blocking Peptides
- Dot Blot
- Immunohistochemistry
- Immunofluorescence
- Immunoprecipitation
- Flow Cytomety
- <u>Cell Culture</u>

GABAA Receptor, γ2-Subunit Antibody - Images



Western blot of 10  $\mu g$  of rat hippocampal lysate showing immunolabeling of the ~46k  $\gamma 2$ -subunit of the GABAA-R.



Immunostaining of rat cerebellum showing labeling of GABAA g2 subunit in fuchsia.

## GABAA Receptor, γ2-Subunit Antibody - Background

Gamma-aminobutyric acid (GABA) is the primary inhibitory neurotransmitter in the central nervous system, causing a hyperpolarization of the membrane through the opening of a Cl– channel associated with the GABAA receptor (GABAA-R) subtype. GABAA-Rs are important therapeutic targets for a range of sedative, anxiolytic, and hypnotic agents and are implicated in several diseases including epilepsy, anxiety, depression, and substance abuse. The GABAA-R is a multimeric subunit complex. To date six  $\alpha$ s, four  $\beta$ s and four  $\gamma$ s, plus alternative splicing variants of some of these subunits, have been identified (Olsen and Tobin, 1990; Whiting et al., 1999; Ogris et al., 2004). Injection in oocytes or mammalian cell lines of cRNA coding for  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -subunits results in the expression of functional GABAA-Rs sensitive to GABA. However, co-expression of a  $\gamma$ -subunit is required for benzodiazepine modulation. The various effects of the benzodiazepines in brain may also be mediated via different  $\alpha$ -subunits of the receptor (McKernan et al., 2000; Mehta and Ticku,



1998; Ogris et al., 2004; Pöltl et al., 2003). Lastly, phosphorylation of  $\beta$ -subunits of the receptor has been shown to modulate GABAA-R function (Brandon et al., 2003).

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