

unphosphorylated β III-Tubulin (Ser-444)

Cat. # TP1811

Host Rabbit Polyclonal

Size 100 μ l

Background:

Microtubules (MTs) are cytoskeletal elements that play an essential role in cell division and cytoplasmic organization. MTs are dynamic polymers of α/β -tubulin heterodimers. At least two populations of MTs, called dynamic and stable according to their rates of turnover, are readily distinguishable in cells. The proteins associated with MTs (MAPs) are among the best-known factors that regulate MT dynamics and stability. In addition, a variety of different post-translational modifications may also regulate MT dynamics and stability. Phosphorylation is one of these modifications and it can occur on serine, threonine, and tyrosine residues in β -tubulin isoforms. Multiple kinases can phosphorylate Ser-444 at the C-terminus of β III-tubulin *in vitro*. Unphosphorylated Ser-444 in β III-tubulin is an early marker for cells of neuronal lineage, while phosphorylation of Ser-444 is upregulated after neuronal maturation and may preferentially occur in assembled MTs. By contrast, Cdk1 phosphorylation of Ser-172 in β -tubulin occurs in mitotic cells and may impair tubulin incorporation into microtubules.

References

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Immunogen:

Unphosphorylated β III-Tubulin (Ser-444) synthetic peptide (coupled to KLH) corresponding to amino acid residues around serine 444 of human β III-tubulin. This sequence is not found in β I or β II-tubulin isoforms, but is well conserved in β III-tubulins from rat and mouse.

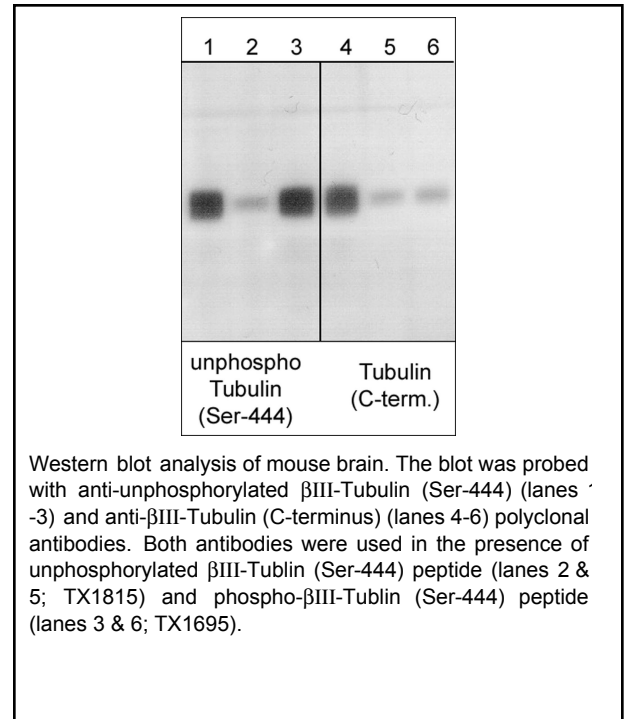
Applications:

WB	1:1,000
ICC	1:100
ELISA	1:2,000

End user should determine optimal dilution for their particular applications and experiments. Western blot membranes were incubated with diluted antibody in 5% non-fat milk, PBS, 0.04% Tween20 for 1 hour at room temperature.

Related Products:

TM1541	β -Tubulin
TP1691	β III-Tubulin (C-terminus)
TP1721	β -Tubulin (Ser-172), phospho-specific
TP1781	β -Tubulin (a.a. 168-177)



Buffer and Storage:

Rabbit polyclonal, affinity-purified antibody is supplied in 100 μ l phosphate-buffered saline, 50% glycerol, 1 mg/ml BSA, and 0.05% sodium azide. Store at -20°C . Do not aliquot. Stable for 1 year.

Specificity:

This antibody was cross-adsorbed to phospho- β III-Tubulin (Ser-444) peptide before affinity purification using unphosphorylated β III-Tubulin (Ser-444) peptide (without carrier). The antibody detects a 50 kDa* protein corresponding to the molecular mass of unphosphorylated β III-Tubulin on SDS-PAGE immunoblots of purified brain tubulin and mouse brain tissue.

*All molecular weights (MW) are confirmed by comparison to Bio-Rad Rainbow Markers and to western blot mobilities of known proteins with similar MW.

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