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∆2-tubulin

Cat.No. 302 213; Polyclonal rabbit antibody, 50 µg specific antibody (lyophilized)

Data Sheet

Reconstitution/ Storage	50 μ g specific antibody, lyophilized. Affinity purified with the immunogen. Rabbit serum albumin was added for stabilization. For reconstitution add 50 μ l H ₂ O to get a 1mg/ml solution in PBS. Then aliquot and store at -20°C until use.
Applications	WB: 1 : 1000 (AP staining) IP: not tested yet ICC: 1 : 200 up to 1 : 500 (see remarks) IHC: yes IHC-P/FFPE: 1 : 500
Immunogen	Synthetic peptide corresponding to AA 443 to 449 from rat $\Delta 2$ -tubulin
Reactivity	Reacts with: human, rat, mouse, mammals. Other species not tested yet.
Specificity	Specific for ∆2-tubulin.
Remarks	This antibody has been cross-adsorbed against peptides corresponding to the C- termini of glu- and tyr-tubulin.
	ICC: Requires long permeabilization with 0.3% Tritonx100 for 30 min.

TO BE USED IN VITRO / FOR RESEARCH ONLY NOT TOXIC, NOT HAZARDOUS, NOT INFECTIOUS, NOT CONTAGIOUS

Microtubules are involved in a wide variety of cellular activities ranging from mitosis and transport events to cell movement and the maintainance of cell shape.

Tubulin itself is a globular protein which consists of two polypeptides, **a-tubulin** and β -tubulin. α - and β -tubulin dimers are assembled to 13 protofilaments that form a microtubule of 22 nm diameter. Tyrosine ligase ads a C-terminal tyrosin to monomeric α -tubulin.

Assembled microtubules can again be detyrosinated by a cytoskeleton associated carboxypeptidase. Detyrosinated a-tubulin is referred to as **Glu-a-tubulin**. Another post-translational modification of detyrosinated a-tubulin is C-terminal polyglutamylation which is characteristic for microtubules in neuronal cells and the mitotic spindle. A third variant of detyrosinated a-tubulin is **Δ2-tubulin** which lacks the C-terminal glutamic acid. It cannot be tyrosinated by tyrosine ligase and is one of the dominant a-tubulin isoforms in neurons.

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