

# Anti-GFR $\alpha$ -3 Antibody

## **ORDERING INFORMATION**

Catalog No.: 1137 Size: 100 ug IgG in PBS, pH 7.4, purified by immunoaffinity chroma-tography.

## BACKGROUND

Members of the glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF) family, including GDNF and neurturin (NTN), play key roles in the control of vertebrate neuronal survivial and differentiation. A new member of the GDNF family was recently identified and designated persephin. Physiological responses to these neurotrophic factors requrie two receptor subunits, the novel glycosylphosphatidylinositol linked protein GFR $\alpha$  and Ret receptor tyrosine kinase GFR $\beta$ . Following the identification of GFR $\alpha$ -1 and –2, another receptor in the GFR family was identified in human and mouse and designated GFR $\alpha$ -3. GFR $\alpha$ -3 binds persephin. Thus, persephin,  $GFR\alpha$ -3, and Ret PTK form a complex to transmit the persephin signal and to mediate persephin function.

## **SPECIFICATION SUMMARY**

Antigen: Peptide corresponding to aa 347-360 of mouse GFRα-3.
Host Species: Rabbit
Stabilizers: None
Preservatives: 0.02% sodium azide.

#### **SPECIFICITY**

This antibody recognizes human, mouse, and rat GFR $\alpha$ -3 (approx. 43 kD).

### **APPLICATIONS**

*Immunoblotting*: use at 1:500-1:1,000 dilution. *Positive control*: Tissue lysates of mouse kidney, liver, or heart.

#### **DILUTION INSTRUCTIONS**

Dilute in PBS or medium which is identical to that used in the assay system.

#### **STORAGE AND STABILITY**

This antibody is stable for at least one (1) year at -20°C. Avoid multiple freeze-thaw cycles.

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