

## Product Information

### Anti-SUMO-1

produced in rabbit, affinity isolated antibody

Catalog Number **S8070**

#### Product Description

Anti-SUMO-1 is produced in rabbit using as immunogen a synthetic peptide corresponding to amino acids 1-16 located at the N-terminus of human SUMO-1, conjugated to KLH. This sequence is identical in many species including mouse, rat, dog, bovine, and highly conserved (single amino acid substitution) in chicken and *Xenopus* SUMO-1. It is not found in human SUMO-2 and SUMO-3. The antibody is affinity-purified using the immunizing peptide immobilized on agarose.

Anti-SUMO-1 recognizes unconjugated SUMO-1 (14 kDa) and SUMO-1-GST (41 kDa) as well as proteins covalently conjugated to SUMO-1 (e.g. RanGAP1, 90 kDa). Applications include the detection of SUMO-1 by immunoblotting, immunoprecipitation, and immunofluorescence. Staining of the SUMO-1 band in immunoblotting is specifically inhibited with the SUMO-1 immunizing peptide (human, amino acids 1-16).

SUMO-1 is a highly conserved, small ubiquitin-related modifier, also known as SMT3C, SMT3H3, UBL1, PIC1, GMP1 and sentrin, that has been shown to be covalently conjugated to a large variety of cellular proteins.<sup>1-3</sup> The conjugation of SUMO-1 to cellular proteins has been implicated in multiple cellular processes including nuclear transport, cell cycle control, oncogenesis and inflammation, and the response to viral infection. SUMO-1 is conjugated to a target protein by a pathway that is distinct from but analogous to ubiquitin conjugation.<sup>2,4</sup> Like ubiquitin, SUMO-1 conjugation forms an isopeptide bond between Gly<sup>97</sup> at C-terminus SUMO-1 and the  $\epsilon$ -amino group on the Lys side chain of the target protein.<sup>3-5</sup> However, unlike ubiquitin, SUMO-1 is unable to form multi-chain forms. Two ubiquitin-like proteins, known as SUMO-2 (SMT3B, SMT3H2 and sentrin-2) and SUMO-3 (SMT3A, SMT3H1 and sentrin-3), that are related to SUMO-1 but are apparently functionally distinct, have been identified.<sup>6-8</sup> SUMO-2 and SUMO-3 are very similar to

each other (95% sequence identity) but are relatively different from SUMO-1 (50% sequence identity) suggesting that they represent a subfamily distinct from SUMO-1. Several substrates for SUMO-1 have been reported in vertebrate species including RanGAP1, PML, Sp100, HSF1, Smad4, I $\kappa$ B $\alpha$ , c-Jun, p53, and Mdm2.<sup>9</sup> RanGAP1, a Ran GTPase-activating protein critically involved in nucleocytoplasmic trafficking, is a major SUMO-1 substrate. SUMO-1 covalently modifies RanGAP1 on a single lysine residue at position 526 in the C-terminus of RanGAP1.<sup>5, 10-11</sup> A large fraction of SUMO-1-modified RanGAP1 (90 kDa), appears to be tightly associated with the nuclear envelope. Unmodified RanGAP1 is present in the cytoplasm suggesting that modification by SUMO-1 may target RanGAP1 to the nuclear pore complex (NPC).

#### Reagent

Supplied as a solution in 0.01 M phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4, containing 15 mM sodium azide.

Antibody concentration: 1.0-1.5 mg/mL

#### Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

#### Storage/Stability

For continuous use, store at 2-8 °C for up to one month. For extended storage, freeze in working aliquots. Repeated freezing and thawing, or storage in frost-free freezers, is not recommended. If slight turbidity occurs upon prolonged storage, clarify the solution by centrifugation before use. Working dilutions should be discarded if not used within 12 hours.

### Product Profile

**Immunoblotting:** a working concentration of 0.5-1 µg/mL is recommended using a nuclear extract of the human epitheloid carcinoma HeLa cell line.

**Indirect immunofluorescence:** a working concentration of 4-8 µg/mL is recommended using HeLa cells.

**Immunoprecipitation:** 10-20 µg of the antibody can immunoprecipitate protein from a nuclear extract of HeLa cells.

**Note:** In order to obtain the best results using various techniques and preparations, we recommend determining the optimal working dilutions by titration.

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