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Applications: Reactivity: Sensitivity: MW (kDa): Source: **UniProt ID:** Entrez-Gene Id: 20 p20. 30 to 45 WB Н Endogenous Rabbit #P29466 834 beta, delta, gamma. 50 alpha.

Product Usage
InformationApplicationDilutionWestern Blotting1:1000

Storage Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 μg/ml BSA and 50% glycerol. Store at – 20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.

Specificity / Sensitivity Caspase-1 Antibody detects endogenous levels of pro-caspase-1 and the caspase-1 p20 subunit. The antibody is expected to detect alpha, beta, gamma and delta isoforms.

Source / PurificationPolyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to residues within the p20 subunit of human caspase-1. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide

affinity chromatography.

Background Caspase-1, or interleukin-1ß converting enzyme (ICE/ICEα), is a class I cysteine protease, which also

includes caspases -4, -5, -11, and -12. Caspase-1 cleaves inflammatory cytokines such as pro-IL-1ß and interferon-y inducing factor (IL-18) into their mature forms (1,2). Like other caspases, caspase-1 is proteolytically activated from a proenzyme to produce a tetramer of its two active subunits, p20 and p10. Caspase-1 has a large amino-terminal pro-domain that contains a caspase recruitment domain (CARD). Overexpression of caspase-1 can induce apoptosis (3). Mice deficient in caspase-1, however, have no overt defects in apoptosis but do have defects in the maturation of pro-IL-1ß and are resistant to endotoxic shock (4,5). At least six caspase-1 isoforms have been identified, including caspase-1 α , β , γ , δ , ϵ , and ζ (6). Most caspase-1 isoforms (α , β , γ , and δ) produce products between 30-48 kDa and induce apoptosis upon overexpression. Caspase-1 ϵ typically contains only the p10 subunit, does not induce apoptosis, and may act as a dominant negative. The widely expressed ζ isoform of caspase-1 induces apoptosis and lacks 39 amino-terminal residues found in the α isoform (6). Activation of caspase-1 occurs through an oligomerization molecular platform designated the "inflammasome" that includes caspase-5, Pycard/Asc,

and NALP1 (7).

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Species Reactivity Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

Western Blot Buffer IMPORTANT: For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted primary antibody in 5% w/v nonfat dry

milk, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween® 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

Applications Key WB: Western Blotting

Cross-Reactivity Key H: human M: mouse R: rat Hm: hamster Mk: monkey Vir: virus Mi: mink C: chicken Dm: D. melanogaster

X: Xenopus Z: zebrafish B: bovine Dg: dog Pg: pig Sc: S. cerevisiae Ce: C. elegans Hr: horse

GP: Guinea Pig Rab: rabbit All: all species expected

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