

Anti-VEGFR2 aptamer, Direct Magnetic AP Kit

Introduction

When a protein is expressed at low levels and is difficult to detect with western blot analysis, aptoprecipitation (AP, Aptamer based protein pull down method) may be the method of choice. An aptoprecipitating reagent has to be specific in order to avoid precipitation of unwanted protein. Furthermore, sufficient affinity is required to pull down the protein and it has to withstand stringent washing steps. AptSci VEGFR2 aptamer molecule is a specific affinity ligand and has been proven well suited for pull down experiments of VEGFR2 proteins. Most commonly encountered problems with IP approach is interference from antibody heavy and light chains that may comigrate with relevant bands, masking important results. However aptamer as an oligonucleotide will not contribute to protein/peptide background that can interfere with subsequent analysis.

AptSci has developed proprietary protein pull down method using target protein-specific aptamers. The aptamer-coupled magnetic bead included in the kit has low nonspecific binding characteristic and enables convenient magnetic isolation of protein targets and reusable magnetic beads. Mild elution condition enables isolation of non-denatured proteins which can be used for further study.

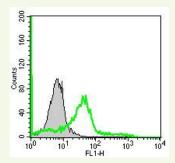


Fig. 1. Flow cytometry histograms showing the binding of representative VEGFR2 aptamer against the target THP-1 cells. Approximately 1×10^6 cells were washed and incubated with FITC-conjugated VEGFR2 aptamer (Green histogram). The untreated cell was used as background fluorescence signal (Gray histogram).

Result of Aptoprecipitation (AP)

As shown in Figure 2, Western blot analysis revealed that VEGFR2 aptamer precipitates VEGFR2 with high specificity, while no VEGFR2 was observed when precipitating with blank beads. This result indicates that VEGFR2 aptamer is highly specific to VEGFR2 protein and VEGFR2 aptamer-coupled magnetic bead efficiently precipitates VEGFR2 from a protein complex.

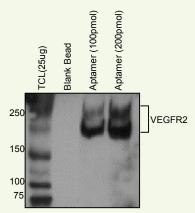


Fig. 2. Aptoprecipitation of VEGFR2 protein from THP-1 cells using the AptSci direct VEGFR2 AP Kit. THP-1 cell lysates (1mg/lane) were incubated with VEGFR2 aptamer-coupled magnetic bead. After washing the beads, the bound protein was eluted with boiling SDS loading buffer. The eluate was loaded on a SDS-PAGE (4-15% gradient gel) and blotted onto a PVDF membrane. Western blot was probed with anti VEGFR2 Ab. TCL: Total cell lysate

Product Information

- Product name: Anti-VEGFR2 aptamer, Direct Magnetic AP Kit
- Catalog number: VEGFR2-2041DM
- Content: Magnetic agarose conjugated VEGFR2 aptamer molecule and all buffers required to perform small scale AP
- Form: As 25% slurry in 20% ethanol containing 0.04% (w/v) sodium azide.
- Protein source for generation of aptamer: Recombinant protein produced in mammalian cells
- **Specificity**: Anti-VEGFR2 aptamer binds to human VEGFR2.

Cross reactivity with other species has not been tested.

- **MW**: ~27 kDa
- Conjugation yield: > 90% as determined by spectrometer analysis.
- Tested applications: FACS and Aptoprecipitation.
- Storage: At +4°C.
- Shipping: At ambient temperature.
- Stability: There is no decrease in performance of the kit



after storage for 6 months at ambient temperature.

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