# Mouse Nicastrin / NCSTN Protein (His Tag)

Catalog Number: 50934-M08H



### **General Information**

### Gene Name Synonym:

9430068N19Rik; AA727311; Aph2; D1Dau13e; Kiaa0253; mKIAA0253;

NCSTN; Nct

#### **Protein Construction:**

A DNA sequence encoding the mouse NCSTN (P57716) (Met1-Gln668) was expressed with a C-terminal polyhistidine tag.

Source: Mouse

Expression Host: HEK293 Cells

**QC** Testing

Purity: > 99 % as determined by SDS-PAGE

**Endotoxin:** 

< 1.0 EU per  $\mu g$  of the protein as determined by the LAL method

Stability:

Samples are stable for up to twelve months from date of receipt  $\,$  at -70  $\,$   $^{\circ}$ C

Predicted N terminal: Gly 28

### **Molecular Mass:**

The recombinant mouse NCSTN comprises 652 amino acids and has a predicted molecular mass of 73 kDa. The apparent molecular mass of the protein is approximately 95-99 kDa in SDS-PAGE under reducing conditions due to glycosylation.

### Formulation:

Lyophilized from sterile PBS, pH 7.4

Normally 5 % - 8 % trehalose, mannitol and 0.01% Tween80 are added as protectants before lyophilization. Specific concentrations are included in the hardcopy of COA. Please contact us for any concerns or special requirements.

### **Usage Guide**

### Storage:

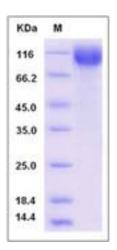
Store it under sterile conditions at -20  $^\circ\!\mathrm{C}$  to -80  $^\circ\!\mathrm{C}$  upon receiving. Recommend to aliquot the protein into smaller quantities for optimal storage.

Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

#### Reconstitution:

Detailed reconstitution instructions are sent along with the products.

#### SDS-PAGE:



# **Protein Description**

Nicastrin (NCST, or NCT), a single-pass membrane glycoprotein that harbors a large extracellular domain, is an essential component of the gamma-secretase complex. Several lines of evidence indicate that the members of these complexes could also contribute to the control of cell death. NCT controls cell death via phosphoinositide 3-kinase/Akt and p53dependent pathways and that this function remains independent of the activity and molecular integrity of the gamma-secretase complexes. Increasing evidences have shown that Nicastrin/NCSTN plays a crucial role in gamma-cleavage of the amyloid precursor protein (APP). The glycoprotein Nicastrin is an essential component of the gamma-secretase complex, a high molecular weight complex which also contains the presenilin proteins, Aph-1 and Pen-2. The gamma-secretase complex is not only involved in APP processing but also in the processing of an increasing number of other type I integral membrane proteins. As the largest subunit of the gamma-secretase complex, Nicastrin plays a crucial role in its activation. Inhibition of NCSTN demonstrated an altered gammacleavage activity, suggesting its potential implication in developing Alzheimer's disease (AD). In addition, Nicastrin can function to maintain epithelial to mesenchymal transition during breast cancer progression. Antinicastrin polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies were able to decrease notch1 and vimentin expression and reduced the invasive capacity of breast cancer cells in vitro.

## References

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