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## Rabbit (polyclonal) Anti-αB-Crystallin

## **PRODUCT ANALYSIS SHEET**

Catalog Number:	AHB0421
Lot Number:	See product label
Quantity:	0.1 mL
Form of Antibody:	Purified immunoglobulin in phosphate buffered saline.
Preservation:	10 mM sodium azide (Caution: sodium azide is a poisonous and hazardous substance. Handle with care and dispose of properly.)
Purification:	Purified by caprylic acid and ammonium sulfate precipitation.
Immunogen:	A synthetic peptide, corresponding to amino acid residues 1-10 (MDIAIHHPWI) of human $\alpha$ B-crystallin, conjugated to keyhole limpet hemocyanin via an N-terminal cysteine residue.
Specificity:	$\alpha$ B-crystallin (GenBank accession number: P02511) is a protein of 20 kDa that bears homology with the small heat shock protein HSP27. As with other small heat shock proteins, $\alpha$ B-crystallin possesses chaperone-like activity, suppressing protein aggregation. Human $\alpha$ B crystallin is encoded by a single gene located on chromosome 11 (cytogenetic band 11q22.3-q23.1). $\alpha$ B-crystallin, along with $\alpha$ A-crystallin, is a major component of the lens, but is also expressed by skeletal, smooth, and cardiac muscle, brain, skin, and kidney.
	$\alpha$ B-crystallin is phosphorylated at serine 59 in response to stress, and at serines 19 and 45 during mitosis. $\alpha$ B-crystallin phosphorylated at serines 19 and 45 interacts with FBX4, a component of the ubiquitin-protein isopeptide ligase, suggesting a role for this protein in the ubiquitin-proteasome pathway.
	$\alpha$ B-crystallin is implicated in the progression of several neurodegenerative diseases, including Dementia with Lewy Bodies, Pick's disease, Creutzfeld-Jacob disease, and Alexander's disease. Its role in neuronal remodeling is currently under investigation.
Species Reactivity:	Human. Other species have not been tested.
Applications:	This antibody is suitable for use in Western blotting and immunohistochemistry with formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue sections.
Suggested Working Dilutions:	In Western blotting, a 1:500 dilution is recommended. The optimal concentration should be determined for each specific application.
Recommended Positive Control:	Ballooned neurons from brain tissue exhibiting Dementia with Lewy Bodies pathology.
Storage:	Store at $-20^{\circ}$ C. Upon initial thawing, apportion into working aliquots and store at $-20^{\circ}$ C. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles to prevent denaturing the antibody.
Expiration Date:	Expires one year from date of receipt when stored as instructed.
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