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Product Specification Sheet

Human Uncoupling Protein 2 (UCP2)

□ **Cat.** UCP26-R-10	Recombinant purified human UCP2 protein	**SIZE**: 10 ug
□ **Cat.** UCP26-R-50	Recombinant purified human UCP2 protein	**SIZE**: 50 ug

The regulation of body weight depends upon the calorie intake and expenditure. White and brown adipose tissues (BAT and WAT, respectively) play a central role in body weight and energy expenditure. WAT is the major site for energy storage via triglyceride synthesis and mobilization via lipolysis. **Uncoupling proteins (UCP1-5)** are a family of mitochondria transport proteins that play a critical role in thermoregulatory heat production and maintenance of basal metabolic rate. BAT is able to dissipate energy as heat via uncoupled mitochondrial respiration by a mitochondrial anion carrier, uncoupling protein 1 (UCP1). UCP1 is predicted to contain 6 trans-membrane (TM) domains, a putative purine nucleotide-binding domain (PNBD) and three-mitochondrial energy transfer protein domains (ETPDs). Both amino and C-termini are predicted to be cytoplasmic. Mouse/rat UCP1 is A 307 AA mitochondrial uncoupling protein (1). It is only 59% homologous with UCP2 (2). UCP1 is primarily expressed in brown adipose tissues.

Mouse/rat **UCP2** is A 309 AA (human 309 aa chromosome 7; ~95% homology) mitochondrial uncoupling protein (1). It is only 59% homologous with UCP1 found in brown adipose tissues. UCP2 has wide tissue distribution in mouse tissues (brain, kidney, liver, brown adipose tissue, heart, and muscle). UCP2 may play a critical role in energy balance, body weight, and thermoregulation (1, 2).

Source of Antigen and Antibodies

Human UCP2 protein (full length; gene accession # NM_003355) was expressed as fusion protein (His tag- UCP2) in E.coli and purified (>95% with major band at ~33kDa). Purified Human UCP2 protein is supplied in 50mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 250mM NaCl, 1.5% sodium lauroyl Sarcosine, 1mM EDTA, 10mM beta-mercapto-ethanol at a conc. of 1mg/ml (lot specific conc. is provided on the vial). Store at -20°C or below. Avoid frequent freeze and thaw.

Recommended Usage

Western Blotting & ELISA

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