Overview

Product name  Anti-FMRP antibody
Description  Rabbit polyclonal to FMRP
Host species  Rabbit
Tested applications  Suitable for: IHC-P, WB, ICC/IF, IHC-FoFr, IP
Species reactivity  Reacts with: Mouse, Rat, Human
Predicted to work with: Orangutan

Immunogen  Synthetic peptide within Human FMRP aa 550 to the C-terminus (internal sequence) conjugated to keyhole limpet haemocyanin. The exact sequence is proprietary. (Peptide available as ab19074)

Positive control  IHC-P: Human cerebral cortex tissue sections.
General notes  ab27455 does not recognize endogenous FMRP (expected size 71 kDa) in human testis lysate, which may be due to low expression levels of FMRP.

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Properties

Form  Liquid
Storage instructions  Shipped at 4°C. Store at +4°C short term (1-2 weeks). Upon delivery aliquot. Store at -20°C or -80°C. Avoid freeze / thaw cycle.
Storage buffer  pH: 7.40
             Preservative: 0.02% Sodium azide
             Constituent: PBS

Batches of this product that have a concentration < 1mg/ml may have BSA added as a stabilising

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agent. If you would like information about the formulation of a specific lot, please contact our scientific support team who will be happy to help.

**Purity**
Immunogen affinity purified

**Clonality**
Polyclonal

**Isotype**
IgG

### Applications

**The Abpromise guarantee**

Our [Abpromise guarantee](#) covers the use of ab17722 in the following tested applications. The application notes include recommended starting dilutions; optimal dilutions/concentrations should be determined by the end user.

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<td>Use a concentration of 5 µg/ml. Perform heat mediated antigen retrieval before commencing with IHC staining protocol.</td>
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### Target

**Function**
Translation repressor. Component of the CYFIP1-EIF4E-FMR1 complex which binds to the mRNA cap and mediates translational repression. In the CYFIP1-EIF4E-FMR1 complex this subunit mediates translation repression (By similarity). RNA-binding protein that plays a role in intracellular RNA transport and in the regulation of translation of target mRNAs. Associated with polysomes. May play a role in the transport of mRNA from the nucleus to the cytoplasm. Binds strongly to poly(G), binds moderately to poly(U) but shows very little binding to poly(A) or poly(C).

**Tissue specificity**
Highest levels found in neurons, brain, testis, placenta and lymphocytes. Also expressed in epithelial tissues and at very low levels in glial cells.

**Involvement in disease**
Defects in FMR1 are the cause of fragile X syndrome (FRAX) [MIM:300624]. Fragile X syndrome is a common genetic disease (has a prevalence of one in every 2000 children) which is characterized by moderate to severe mental retardation, macroorchidism (enlargement of the testicles), large ears, prominent jaw, and high-pitched, jocular speech. The defect in most fragile X syndrome patients results from an amplification of a CGG repeat region which is directly in front of the coding region.

Defects in FMR1 are the cause of fragile X tremor/ataxia syndrome (FXTAS) [MIM:300623]. In FXTAS, the expanded repeats range in size from 55 to 200 repeats and are referred to as 'premutations'. Full repeat expansions with greater than 200 repeats results in fragile X mental retardation syndrome [MIM:300624]. Carriers of the premutation typically do not show the full fragile X syndrome phenotype, but comprise a subgroup that may have some physical features of fragile X syndrome or mild cognitive and emotional problems.

Defects in FMR1 are the cause of premature ovarian failure syndrome type 1 (POF1)
An ovarian disorder defined as the cessation of ovarian function under the age of 40 years. It is characterized by oligomenorrhea or amenorrhea, in the presence of elevated levels of serum gonadotropins and low estradiol.

**Sequence similarities**

Belongs to the FMR1 family.

Contains 2 KH domains.

**Post-translational modifications**

Phosphorylated on several serine residues.

**Cellular localization**

Cytoplasm. Nucleus > nucleolus.

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**Images**

![Western blot - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722)](image)

**All lanes**: Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) at 1 µg/ml

**Lane 1**: Wild-type HAP1 cell lysate

**Lane 2**: FMR1 knockout HAP1 cell lysate

**Lane 3**: HeLa cell lysate

**Lane 4**: Human Brain cell lysate

Lysates/proteins at 20 µg per lane.

Performed under reducing conditions.

**Predicted band size**: 71 kDa

**Observed band size**: 80 kDa

**Lanes 1 - 4**: Merged signal (red and green). Green - ab17722 observed at 80 kDa. Red - loading control, ab8245 (Mouse anti-GAPDH antibody [6C5]) observed at 37kDa.

ab17722 was shown to react with FMR1 in HAP1 wild-type cells in western blot. Loss of signal was observed when FMR1 knockout sample was used. HAP1 wild-type and FMR1 knockout cell lysates were subjected to SDS-PAGE. Membranes were blocked in 3% milk in TBS-T (0.1% Tween®) before incubation with ab17722 and ab8245 (Mouse anti-GAPDH antibody [6C5]) overnight at 4°C at 1 µg/ml and a 1 in 20000 dilution respectively. Blots were incubated with Goat anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (IRDye® 800CW) preabsorbed (ab216773) and Goat anti-Mouse IgG H&L (IRDye® 680RD) preabsorbed (ab216776) secondary antibodies at 1 in 20000 dilution for 1 hour at room temperature before imaging.
Western blot - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722)

All lanes: Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) at 1 µg

Lane 1: Wild-type A549 cell lysate
Lane 2: Fmr1 knockout A549 cell lysate
Lane 3: HeLa cell lysate
Lane 4: Human Brain cell lysate

Lysates/proteins at 20 µg per lane.

Performed under reducing conditions.

Predicted band size: 71 kDa
Observed band size: 77 kDa

False colour image of Western blot: Anti-FMRP antibody staining at 1 µg/ml, shown in green; Mouse anti-GAPDH antibody [6C5] (ab8245) loading control staining at 1/20000 dilution, shown in red.

In Western blot, ab17722 was shown to bind specifically to FMRP. A band was observed at 77 kDa in wild-type A549 cell lysates with no signal observed at this size in Fmr1 knockout cell line. To generate this image, wild-type and Fmr1 knockout A549 cell lysates were analysed. First, samples were run on an SDS-PAGE gel then transferred onto a nitrocellulose membrane. Membranes were blocked in 3% milk in TBS-0.1% Tween® 20 (TBS-T) before incubation with primary antibodies overnight at 4°C. Blots were washed four times in TBS-T, incubated with secondary antibodies for 1 h at room temperature, washed again four times then imaged. Secondary antibodies used were Goat anti-Rabbit IgG H&L 800CW and Goat anti-Mouse IgG H&L 680RD at 1/20000 dilution.
ab17722 stained in SK-N-SH (Human neuroblastoma cell line) cells.

Cells were fixed with 100% methanol (5 min) at room temperature and incubated with PBS containing 10% goat serum, 0.3 M glycine, 1% BSA and 0.1% triton for 1h at room temperature to permeabilize the cells and block non-specific protein-protein interactions. The cells were then incubated with the antibody ab17722 at 5 µg/ml and ab7291 (Mouse monoclonal [DM1A] to alpha Tubulin - Loading Control) at 1/1000 dilution overnight at +4°C. The secondary antibodies were ab150120 (pseudo-colored red) and ab150081 (colored green) used at 1 µg/ml for 1hour at room temperature. DAPI was used to stain the cell nuclei (colored blue) at a concentration of 1.43µM for 1hour at room temperature.

IHC image of FMRP staining in a section of formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded human normal cerebral cortex* performed on a Leica Biosystems BOND® RX instrument. The section was pre-treated using heat mediated antigen retrieval with sodium citrate buffer (pH6, epitope retrieval solution 1) for 20mins. The section was then incubated with ab17722, 5ug/ml, for 15 mins at room temperature and detected using an HRP conjugated compact polymer system. DAB was used as the chromogen. The section was then counterstained with haematoxylin and mounted with DPX. The inset secondary-only control image is taken from an identical assay without primary antibody.

For other IHC staining systems (automated and non-automated) customers should optimize variable parameters such as antigen retrieval conditions, primary antibody concentration and antibody incubation times.

*Tissue obtained from the Human Research Tissue Bank, supported by the NIHR Cambridge Biomedical Research Centre.
IHC image of FMRP staining in mouse frontal cortex section.

The section was pre-treated using heat mediated antigen retrieval with sodium citrate buffer (pH 6). The section was then blocked using 1% BSA for 10 mins at 21°C. The section was then incubated with ab17722, 1/1500, for 2 hours at 21°C. The section was then counterstained with hematoxylin.

The specificity of the C-terminal, phospho-insensitive FMRP tFMRP antibody (Abcam ab17722) was verified by immunoblotting whole cell cortical lysates from 2 month-old Fmr1\(^{WT}\) and Fmr1\(^{KO}\) mice. Short and long exposures (exp.) are shown. Arrows point to three FMRP-specific bands while asterisks point to nonspecific bands.
Western blot - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722)

Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) at 1 μg/ml + Brain (Mouse) Tissue Lysate at 10 μg

Secondary
Goat polyclonal to Rabbit IgG - H&L - Pre-Adsorbed (HRP) at 1/3000 dilution

Developed using the ECL technique.

Performed under reducing conditions.

**Predicted band size:** 71 kDa

**Observed band size:** 80 kDa

**Additional bands at:** 105 kDa, 23 kDa, 75 kDa (possible isoform). We are unsure as to the identity of these extra bands.

**Exposure time:** 4 minutes

FMRP was immunoprecipitated using 0.5mg HeLa (Human epithelial cell line from cervix adenocarcinoma) whole cell extract, 5μg of Rabbit polyclonal to FMRP and 50μl of protein G magnetic beads (+). No antibody was added to the control (-).

The antibody was incubated under agitation with Protein G beads for 10min, HeLa whole cell extract lysate diluted in RIPA buffer was added to each sample and incubated for a further 10min under agitation.

Proteins were eluted by addition of 40μl SDS loading buffer and incubated for 10min at 70°C; 10μl of each sample was separated on a SDS PAGE gel, transferred to a nitrocellulose membrane, blocked with 5% BSA and probed with ab17722.


Band: 80kDa: FMRP.
**Western blot - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722)**

**All lanes**: Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) at 1 µg/ml

**Lane 1**: HeLa (Human epithelial carcinoma cell line) Whole Cell Lysate

**Lane 2**: HeLa (Human epithelial carcinoma cell line) Nuclear Lysate

Lysates/proteins at 10 µg per lane.

**Secondary**

**All lanes**: IRDye 680 Conjugated Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) at 1/10000 dilution

Performed under reducing conditions.

**Predicted band size**: 71 kDa

**Observed band size**: 80 kDa

**Additional bands at**: 75 kDa (possible isoform)

**Western blot - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722)**

Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) at 1 µg/ml + PC-12 (Rat adrenal pheochromocytoma cell line) whole cell lysate at 20 µg

**Secondary**

Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) preadsorbed (ab97080) at 1/5000 dilution

Developed using the ECL technique.

Performed under reducing conditions.

**Predicted band size**: 71 kDa

**Observed band size**: 80 kDa

**Additional bands at**: 13 kDa, 32 kDa, 68 kDa. We are unsure as to the identity of these extra bands.
FMRP is localized at various intracellular sites in HeLa cells.

Confocal laser scanning microscopy (cLSM) images of HeLa (Human epithelial cell line from cervix adenocarcinoma) cells depicting endogenous FMRP (ab17722, green channel) costained with various cytosolic (Panel A, not shown) and nuclear (Panel B, shown) markers (red channel). DNA was stained by using DAPI (blue channel). Boxed areas in the merged panels depict enlarged areas of interest. Scale bar: 10 μm.

HeLa cells grown on glass coverslips were fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde for 20 min, permeabilized with 0.25% triton X-100 for 10 min, and thereafter blocked for 1 h in a solution containing 3% BSA in 0.25% triton-X100/PBS. Cells were incubated with primary and secondary antibodies for 1 h and finally counterstained with DAPI for 5 min and mounted using the prolong gold anti-fade reagent.

ab17722 staining FMRP in SK-N-SH (Human neuroblastoma cell line) cells treated with (R,S)-3,5-DHPG (ab120020), by ICC/IF. Increase in FMRP expression correlates with increased concentration of (R,S)-3,5-DHPG, as described in literature.

The cells were incubated at 37°C for 1h in media containing different concentrations of ab120020 (ab120020 ((R,S)-3,5-DHPG) in DMSO, fixed with 4% formaldehyde for 10 minutes at room temperature and blocked with PBS containing 10% goat serum, 0.3 M glycine, 1% BSA and 0.1% tween for 2h at room temperature. Staining of the treated cells with ab17722 (5 µg/ml) was performed overnight at 4°C in PBS containing 1% BSA and 0.1% tween. A DyLight 488 goat anti-rabbit polyclonal antibody (ab96899) at 1/250 dilution was used as the secondary antibody. Nuclei were counterstained with DAPI and are shown in blue.
Immunocytochemistry/ Immunofluorescence - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) staining FMRP in SK-N-SH (Human neuroblastoma cell line) cells treated with (R,S)-MCPG sodium salt (ab120252), by ICC/IF. Decrease of FMRP expression correlates with increased concentration of (R,S)-MCPG sodium salt, as described in literature. The cells were incubated at 37°C for 2h in media containing different concentrations of ab120252 ((R,S)-MCPG sodium salt) in DMSO, fixed with 4% formaldehyde for 10 minutes at room temperature and blocked with PBS containing 10% goat serum, 0.3 M glycine, 1% BSA and 0.1% tween for 2h at room temperature. Staining of the treated cells with ab17722 (5 µg/ml) was performed overnight at 4°C in PBS containing 1% BSA and 0.1% tween. A DyLight 488 anti-rabbit polyclonal antibody (ab96899) at 1/250 dilution was used as the secondary antibody. Nuclei were counterstained with DAPI and are shown in blue.

Immunocytochemistry/ Immunofluorescence - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) staining FMRP in SK-N-SH (Human neuroblastoma cell line) cells treated with (S)-MCPG (ab120059), by ICC/IF. Decrease of FMRP expression correlates with increased concentration of (S)-MCPG, as described in literature. The cells were incubated at 37°C for 30 minutes in media containing different concentrations of ab120059 ((S)-MCPG) in DMSO, fixed with 4% formaldehyde for 10 minutes at room temperature and blocked with PBS containing 10% goat serum, 0.3 M glycine, 1% BSA and 0.1% tween for 2h at room temperature. Staining of the treated cells with ab17722 (5 µg/ml) was performed overnight at 4°C in PBS containing 1% BSA and 0.1% tween. A DyLight 488 anti-rabbit polyclonal antibody (ab96899) at 1/250 dilution was used as the secondary antibody. Nuclei were counterstained with DAPI and are shown in blue.

Immunocytochemistry/ Immunofluorescence - Anti-FMRP antibody (ab17722) staining FMRP in SK-N-SH (Human neuroblastoma cell line) cells treated with (R,S)-MCPG (ab120033), by ICC/IF. Decrease in FMRP expression correlates with increased concentration of (R,S)-MCPG, as described in literature. The cells were incubated at 37°C for 2h in media containing different concentrations of ab120033 ((R,S)-MCPG) in DMSO, fixed with 4% formaldehyde for 10 minutes at room temperature and blocked with PBS containing 10% goat serum, 0.3 M glycine, 1% BSA and 0.1% tween for 2h at room temperature. Staining of the treated cells with ab17722 (5 µg/ml) was performed overnight at 4°C in PBS containing 1% BSA and 0.1% tween. A DyLight 488 goat anti-rabbit polyclonal antibody (ab96899) at 1/250 dilution was used as the secondary antibody. Nuclei were counterstained with DAPI and are shown in blue.
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