

# APG1 (ULK1) Antibody (Center)

Purified Rabbit Polyclonal Antibody (Pab) Catalog # AP8104B

#### **Product Information**

**Application** IF, WB, E **Primary Accession** 075385

**Reactivity** Human, Mouse

HostRabbitClonalityPolyclonalIsotypeRabbit IgGCalculated MW112631Antigen Region642-672

### **Additional Information**

Gene ID 8408

Other Names Serine/threonine-protein kinase ULK1, Autophagy-related protein 1 homolog,

ATG1, hATG1, Unc-51-like kinase 1, ULK1, KIAA0722

Target/Specificity This APG1 (ULK1) antibody is generated from rabbits immunized with a KLH

conjugated synthetic peptide between 642-672 amino acids from the Central

region of human APG1 (ULK1).

**Dilution** IF~~1:100 WB~~1:1000 E~~Use at an assay dependent concentration.

**Format** Purified polyclonal antibody supplied in PBS with 0.09% (W/V) sodium azide.

This antibody is purified through a protein A column, followed by peptide

affinity purification.

**Storage** Maintain refrigerated at 2-8°C for up to 2 weeks. For long term storage store

at -20°C in small aliquots to prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

**Precautions** APG1 (ULK1) Antibody (Center) is for research use only and not for use in

diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

## **Protein Information**

Name ULK1 {ECO:0000303 | PubMed:9693035, ECO:0000312 | HGNC:HGNC:12558}

**Function** Serine/threonine-protein kinase involved in autophagy in response to

starvation (PubMed:18936157, PubMed:21460634, PubMed:21795849,

PubMed:23524951, PubMed:25040165, PubMed:29487085,

PubMed:31123703). Acts upstream of phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase PIK3C3 to

regulate the formation of autophagophores, the precursors of

autophagosomes (PubMed: 18936157, PubMed: 21460634, PubMed: 21795849, PubMed: <u>25040165</u>). Part of regulatory feedback loops in autophagy: acts both as a downstream effector and negative regulator of mammalian target of rapamycin complex 1 (mTORC1) via interaction with RPTOR (PubMed: 21795849). Activated via phosphorylation by AMPK and also acts as a regulator of AMPK by mediating phosphorylation of AMPK subunits PRKAA1, PRKAB2 and PRKAG1, leading to negatively regulate AMPK activity (PubMed: 21460634). May phosphorylate ATG13/KIAA0652 and RPTOR; however such data need additional evidences (PubMed: 18936157). Plays a role early in neuronal differentiation and is required for granule cell axon formation (PubMed:11146101). Also phosphorylates SESN2 and SQSTM1 to regulate autophagy (PubMed: <u>25040165</u>, PubMed: <u>37306101</u>). Phosphorylates FLCN, promoting autophagy (PubMed: 25126726). Phosphorylates AMBRA1 in response to autophagy induction, releasing AMBRA1 from the cytoskeletal docking site to induce autophagosome nucleation (PubMed: 20921139). Phosphorylates ATG4B, leading to inhibit autophagy by decreasing both proteolytic activation and delipidation activities of ATG4B (PubMed: 28821708).

**Cellular Location** 

Cytoplasm, cytosol. Preautophagosomal structure. Note=Under starvation conditions, is localized to puncate structures primarily representing the isolation membrane that sequesters a portion of the cytoplasm resulting in the formation of an autophagosome.

**Tissue Location** 

Ubiquitously expressed. Detected in the following adult tissues: skeletal muscle, heart, pancreas, brain, placenta, liver, kidney, and lung

## **Background**

Macroautophagy is the major inducible pathway for the general turnover of cytoplasmic constituents in eukaryotic cells, it is also responsible for the degradation of active cytoplasmic enzymes and organelles during nutrient starvation. Macroautophagy involves the formation of double-membrane bound autophagosomes which enclose the cytoplasmic constituent targeted for degradation in a membrane bound structure, which then fuse with the lysosome (or vacuole) releasing a single-membrane bound autophagic bodies which are then degraded within the lysosome (or vacuole). Two human homologs of the yeast autophagy-specific kinase exist: ULK1(APG1) and ULK2. APG1 plays a critical role in regulating key elements of the autophagy pathway. APG1 stimulates autophagy, leading to autophagy-dependent restriction of cell growth and ultimately cell apoptosis at high levels of activity, and is a negative regulator of mTOR signaling.

#### References

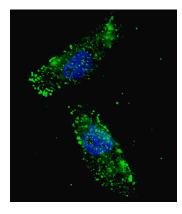
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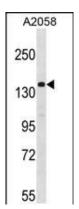
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## **Images**





(Center) antibody. U251 cells were treated with Chloroquine (50 μM,16h), then fixed with 4% PFA (20 min), permeabilized with Triton X-100 (0.2%, 30 min). Cells were then incubated with AP8104b APG1 (ULK1) (Center) primary antibody (1:100, 2 h at room temperature). For secondary antibody, Alexa Fluor® 488 conjugated donkey anti-rabbit antibody (green) was used (1:1000, 1h). Nuclei were counterstained with Hoechst 33342 (blue) (10 μg/ml, 5 min). APG1 (ULK1) immunoreactivity is localized to autophagic vacuoles in the cytoplasm of U251 cells.

Western blot analysis of anti-ULK1 Pab (Cat. #AP8104b) in A2058 cell lysate. ULK1 (arrow) was detected using purified Pab. Secondary HRP-anti-rabbit was used for signal visualization with chemiluminescence.

## **Citations**

- Machine learning with autophagy-related proteins for discriminating renal cell carcinoma subtypes
- <u>Intensive expression of UNC-51-like kinase 1 is a novel biomarker of poor prognosis in patients with esophageal squamous cell carcinoma.</u>

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