

# Argonaute 2 Antibody

Rabbit mAb Catalog # AP91083

#### **Product Information**

**Application** WB, IHC, IF, FC, ICC, IP, IHF

Primary Accession Q9UKV8

**Reactivity** Rat, Human, Mouse

**Clonality** Monoclonal

Other Names Ago 2; Argonaute 2; dAgo2; eIF2C 2; hAgo2; PPD;

IsotypeRabbit IgGHostRabbitCalculated MW97208

### **Additional Information**

**Dilution** WB 1:500~1:2000 IHC 1:50~1:200 ICC/IF 1:50~1:200 IP 1:50 FC 1:50

**Purification** Affinity-chromatography

**Immunogen** A synthesized peptide derived from human Argonaute 2

**Description** Required for RNA-mediated gene silencing (RNAi) by the RNA-induced

silencing complex (RISC). Can also upregulate the translation of specific mRNAs under certain growth conditions. Binds to the AU element of the 3'-UTR of the TNF (TNF-alpha) mRNA and upregulates translation under conditions of serum starvation. Also required for transcriptional gene

silencing (TGS), in which short RNAs known as antigene RNAs or agRNAs direct

the transcriptional repression of complementary promoter regions.

Storage Condition and Buffer Rabbit IgG in phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4, 150mM NaCl, 0.02% sodium

azide and 50% glycerol. Store at +4°C short term. Store at -20°C long term.

Avoid freeze / thaw cycle.

#### **Protein Information**

Name AGO2 ( <u>HGNC:3263</u>)

Synonyms EIF2C2

**Function** Required for RNA-mediated gene silencing (RNAi) by the RNA- induced

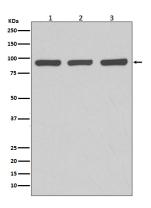
silencing complex (RISC). The 'minimal RISC' appears to include AGO2 bound to a short guide RNA such as a microRNA (miRNA) or short interfering RNA (siRNA). These guide RNAs direct RISC to complementary mRNAs that are targets for RISC-mediated gene silencing. The precise mechanism of gene silencing depends on the degree of complementarity between the miRNA or siRNA and its target. Binding of RISC to a perfectly complementary mRNA generally results in silencing due to endonucleolytic cleavage of the mRNA specifically by AGO2. Binding of RISC to a partially complementary mRNA results in silencing through inhibition of translation, and this is independent

of endonuclease activity. May inhibit translation initiation by binding to the 7-methylguanosine cap, thereby preventing the recruitment of the translation initiation factor eIF4-E. May also inhibit translation initiation via interaction with EIF6, which itself binds to the 60S ribosomal subunit and prevents its association with the 40S ribosomal subunit. The inhibition of translational initiation leads to the accumulation of the affected mRNA in cytoplasmic processing bodies (P- bodies), where mRNA degradation may subsequently occur. In some cases RISC-mediated translational repression is also observed for miRNAs that perfectly match the 3' untranslated region (3'-UTR). Can also up- regulate the translation of specific mRNAs under certain growth conditions. Binds to the AU element of the 3'-UTR of the TNF (TNF- alpha) mRNA and up-regulates translation under conditions of serum starvation. Also required for transcriptional gene silencing (TGS), in which short RNAs known as antigene RNAs or agRNAs direct the transcriptional repression of complementary promoter regions.

#### **Cellular Location**

Cytoplasm, P-body. Nucleus Note=Translational repression of mRNAs results in their recruitment to P-bodies. Translocation to the nucleus requires IMP8

## **Images**



Western blot analysis of Argonaute 2 expression in (1) HeLa cell lysate; (2) RAW 264.7 cell lysate; (3) C6 cell lysate.

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