# PKB alpha [GST-tagged]

Kinase and Substrate

Alternate Names: AKT1, RAC-alpha serine/threonine-protein kinase, RAC-PK-alpha

Cat. No. 66-0018-050 Quantity: 50 µg Lot. No. 30297 Storage: -70°C

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## **Background**

PKB alpha (AKT1) is one of three closely related serine/threonine-protein kinases (AKT1, AKT2 and AKT3) which may be alternatively named PKB  $\alpha$ , PKB  $\beta$ , and PKB  $\gamma$ , respectively. Together, they regulate many processes including metabolism, proliferation, cell survival, growth and angiogenesis. This is mediated through serine and/or threonine phosphorylation of a range of downstream substrates (Kumar et al., 2013). Cloning of the gene was first described by Staal et al. (1987). PKB alpha is a member of the most frequently activated proliferation and survival pathway in cancer. The activation of PKB alpha is driven by membrane localization, which is in turn initiated by the binding of the pleckstrin homology (PH) domain to phosphatidylinositol-3,4,5-trisphosphate or phosphatidylinositol-3,4bisphosphate, followed by phosphorylation of the regulatory amino acids serine 473 (Ser-473) and threonine 308 (Thr-308) on PKB alpha (Kumar and Purohit, 2013). PKB alpha seems to have a crucial but passive role in oncogenesis and acts as an indirect intermediary between mutated upstream regulatory proteins and downstream signalling molecules (Kumar and Purohit, 2013). PKB alpha is involved in the phosphorylation of members of the FOXO factors (Forkhead family of transcription factors), leading to binding of 14-3-3 proteins and cytoplasmic localisation (Rena et al., 1999). Unregulated activation of the PKB pathway is a prominent feature

## **Physical Characteristics**

Protein Sequence: Please see page 2 Species: human

Source: E. coli Quantity: 50 µg

Concentration: 7.3 mg/ml

Formulation: 50 mM Tris/HCl pH7.5, 0.1 mM EGTA, 150 mM NaCl, 0.1% ß-Mercaptoethanol, 270 mM sucrose, 0.03% Brij-35, 1 mM Benzamidine, 0.2 mM PMSF

Molecular Weight: ~44.2 kDa

Purity: >95% by InstantBlue™ SDS-PAGE

Stability/Storage: 12 months at -70°C;

aliquot as required

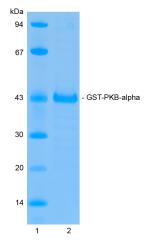
## **Quality Assurance**

## **Purity:**

4-12% gradient SDS-PAGE InstantBlue™ staining Lane 1: MW markers Lane 2: 2.5 µg GST-PKB alpha

#### **Protein Identification:**

Confirmed by mass spectrometry.



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of many human cancers and PKB alpha is overexpressed or activated in all major cancers. For these reasons, PKB alpha is considered an attractive target for cancer therapy (Wang *et al.*, 2011).

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# **Physical Characteristics**

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**Protein Sequence:** 

MSPILGYWKIKGLVQPTRLLLEYLEEKYEEH
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GGDHPPKSDLVPRGSPEFMSDVAIVKEGWLH
KRGEYIKTWRPRYFLLKNDGTFIGYKERPQD
VDQREAPLNNFSVAQCQLMKTERPRPNTFI
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LAKPKHRVTMNE

Tag (bold text): N-terminal GST

Protease cleavage site: Thrombin (<u>LVPR▼GS</u>)
PKB alpha (regular text): Start **bold italics** (amino acid

residues 1-149.

Accession number: NP\_001014431



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