

Active Recombinant Human Caspase-2

CATALOG NO: 1082-25 25 units
1082-100 100 units

UNIT DEFINITION:

One unit of the recombinant caspase-2 is the enzyme activity that cleaves 1 nmol of the caspase substrate VDVAD-pNA (pNA: p-nitroaniline) per hour at 37°C in a reaction solution containing 50 mM Hepes, pH 7.2, 50 mM NaCl, 0.1% Chaps, 10 mM EDTA, 5% Glycerol, and 10 mM DTT.

FORM: Lyophilized powder

RECONSTITUTION: Reconstitute to 1 unit per µl in PBS containing 15% glycerol.

PURITY: ≥95% by SDS-PAGE

STORAGE CONDITIONS:

The lyophilized caspase-2 is stable for 1 year at -70°C. Following reconstitution in PBS, the enzyme should be aliquoted and immediately stored at -70°C. Avoid multiple freeze/thaw cycles as activity might decrease.

DESCRIPTION:

Caspase-2 (also known as Ich-1, Nedd-2) is a member of the caspase-family of cysteine proteases. Similar to other caspases, caspase-2 also exists in cells as an inactive proenzyme. During apoptosis pro-caspase-2 is processed at aspartate residues by self-proteolysis and/or cleavage by upstream caspases. The processed active caspase-2 is a heterotetramer consisting of two large (19 kDa) and two small (12 kDa) subunits.

The recombinant active human caspase-2 was expressed in *E. coli* and fused with His tag. The active caspase-2 preferentially cleaves caspase-2 substrates (e.g., VDVAD-AFC or VDVAD-pNA) and is routinely tested at BioVision for its ability to enzymatically cleave these two substrates Ac-VDVAD-pNA (Cat. #1072-200) or Ac-VDVAD-AFC (1071-200).

APPLICATIONS AND USAGE:

Active caspase-2 is useful in studying enzyme regulation, determining target substrates, screening caspase inhibitors, or as a positive control in caspase activity assays. We recommend using 1 unit/assay for analyzing caspase activity.

For a complete caspase-2 assay protocol, please refer to BioVision's Caspase-2 Fluorometric or Colorimetric Assay Kits (Cat.#: K116 and K117).

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