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## MTM1 Antibody Blocking Peptide

Catalog Number: bs-9178P

Activity: Not tested

Purification: HPLC

Storage: Shipped at 4°C. Stored at -20°C for one year. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.

Background: X-linked recessive myotubular myopathy is a congenital muscular disease characterized by

severe hypotonia and generalized muscle weakness that, in most cases, leads to early postnatal death. The gene responsible for myotubular myopathy MTM1 encodes a dual specificity phosphatase, named myotubularin, which is highly conserved through evolution. The gene for MTM1 is localized to a 300 kb critical region on human Xq128 between IDS and GRBRA3. Human MTM1, a 603 amino-acid protein, is mutated in myotubular myopathy. The largely related protein hMTMR2 is found mutated in a recessive form of Charcot-Marie-Tooth neuropathy. Myotubularin is primarily a lipid phosphatase that acts on phosphatidylinositol 3-monophosphate and is involved in the regulation of the phosphatidylinositol 3-kinase (PI3-kinase) pathway and membrane trafficking. Wild-type myotubularin can directly dephosphorylate PI3P and PI4P in vitro. Thus, it decreases PI3P levels by down-regulating PI3K activity and by facilitating the degradation of PI3P.