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# PCDHA3 (N-13): sc-103771



BACKGROUND

Protocadherins are a large family of cadherin-like cell adhesion proteins that are involved in the establishment and maintenance of neuronal connections in the brain. There are three protocadherin (PCDH) gene clusters, designated  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ , all of which contain multiple tandemly arranged genes. The protein products of PCDH- $\alpha$  genes interact with Integrin  $\beta$ 1 to promote cell adhesion and form oligomers with PCDH- $\gamma$  proteins at specific membrane sites. PCDHA3 (protocadherin  $\alpha$ -3) is a 950 amino acid single-pass transmembrane protein that contains six cadherin domains. PCDHA3 is a unique cadherin in that it likely functions in spermatogenesis and may also have a role in organizing germ cell-specific structures, such as the flagellum, acrosome and intercellular bridge. There are two isoforms of PCDHA13 that are produced as a result of alternative splicing events.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PCDHA3 (human) mapping to 5q31.3.

### SOURCE

PCDHA3 (N-13) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an extracellular domain of PCDHA3 of human origin.

# PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200  $\mu g$  IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-103771 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

# APPLICATIONS

PCDHA3 (N-13) is recommended for detection of PCDHA3 of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Suitable for use as control antibody for PCDHA3 siRNA (h): sc-106375, PCDHA3 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-106375-SH and PCDHA3 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-106375-V.

Molecular Weight of PCDHA3: 102 kDa.

### **RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2020 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2033 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunofluo-rescence: use donkey anti-goat IgG-FITC: sc-2024 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or donkey anti-goat IgG-TR: sc-2783 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

# STORAGE

Store at 4° C, \*\*DO NOT FREEZE\*\*. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

#### **RESEARCH USE**

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

## PROTOCOLS

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