

IL-12B p40 (C-20): sc-1282

BACKGROUND

The interleukins (ILs) are a broad family of well characterized cytokines, primarily of hematopoietic cell origin. ILs are secreted by immune cells (mainly macrophages, B cells or T cells) that regulate a wide range of immune system functions. The functions of different ILs vary from regulating inflammatory and immune responses, functioning as an autocrine factor and regulating and/or inhibiting other ILs. IL-12 is responsible for the differentiation of naive CD4⁺ T cells into type 1 helper T cells that produce interferon- γ (IFN- γ). It also activates production of tumor necrosis factor α (TNF α) from T and natural killer (NK) cells. IL-12 is a heterodimer composed of subunits IL-12A p35 and IL-12B p40. The p40 subunit of IL-12 also combines with p19, a protein that shows no biological activity by itself, to form a biologically active, composite cytokine, IL-23. IL-23 shares some *in vivo* functions with IL-12, including activation of the transcription factor Stat4 and IFN- γ production and proliferation in PHA blast T cells, as well as in CD45RO (memory) T cells.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: IL12B (human) mapping to 5q33.3.

SOURCE

IL-12B p40 (C-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the C-terminus of IL-12B p40 of human origin.

PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-1282 P, (100 μ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

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.

APPLICATIONS

IL-12B p40 (C-20) is recommended for detection of IL-12B p40 of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 μ g per 100-500 μ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], 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).

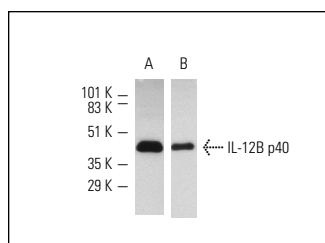
Suitable for use as control antibody for IL-12B p40 siRNA (h): sc-39640, IL-12B p40 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-39640-SH and IL-12B p40 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39640-V.

Molecular Weight of IL-12B p40: 40 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) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml). 3) Immunofluorescence: 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.

DATA



Western blot analysis of human recombinant IL-12 (A, B). Antibodies tested include IL-12B p40 (M-20): sc-1283 (A) and IL-12B p40 (C-20): sc-1282 (B).

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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