

# IL-12B p40 (M-20): sc-1283

## 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<sup>+</sup> T cells into type 1 helper T cells that produce interferon- $\gamma$  (IFN- $\gamma$ ). It also activates production of tumor necrosis factor  $\alpha$  (TNF $\alpha$ ) 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- $\gamma$  production and proliferation in PHA blast T cells, as well as in CD45RO (memory) T cells.

## REFERENCES

1. Oppmann, B., et al. 2000. Novel p19 protein engages IL-12 p40 to form a cytokine, IL-23, with biological activities similar as well as distinct from IL-12. *Immunity* 13: 715-725.
2. Wiekowski, M.T., et al. 2001. Ubiquitous transgenic expression of the IL-23 subunit p19 induces multiorgan inflammation, runting, infertility, and premature death. *J. Immunol.* 166: 7563-7570.
3. Frucht, D.M. 2002. IL-23: a cytokine that acts on memory T cells. *Sci. STKE* 2002: PE1.
4. Cooper, A.M., et al. 2002. Mice lacking bioactive IL-12 can generate protective, antigen-specific cellular responses to mycobacterial infection only if the IL-12 p40 subunit is present. *J. Immunol.* 168: 1322-1327.

## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: IL12B (human) mapping to 5q33.3; IL12b (mouse) mapping to 11 B1.1.

## SOURCE

IL-12B p40 (M-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the C-terminus of IL-12B p40 of mouse 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-1283 P, (100  $\mu$ 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 (M-20) is recommended for detection of IL-12B p40 of mouse, rat and, to a lesser extent, human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ 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).

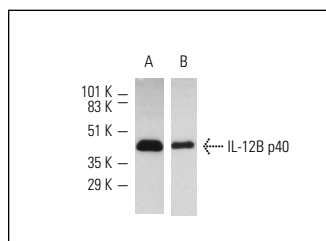
Suitable for use as control antibody for IL-12B p40 siRNA (h): sc-39640, IL-12B p40 siRNA (m): sc-39641, IL-12B p40 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-39640-SH, IL-12B p40 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-39641-SH, IL-12B p40 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39640-V and IL-12B p40 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39641-V.

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

1. Tan, M.S., et al. 2014. IL12/23 p40 inhibition ameliorates Alzheimer's disease-associated neuropathology and spatial memory in SAMP8 mice. *J. Alzheimers Dis.* 38: 633-646.

**MONOS**  
Satisfaction  
Guaranteed

Try **IL-12B p40 (F-10): sc-365389** or **IL-12B p40 (G-6): sc-374651**, our highly recommended monoclonal alternatives to IL-12B p40 (M-20).