

# MEL-1A-R (V-15): sc-13180

## BACKGROUND

Melatonin (Mel), a hormone secreted by the pineal gland, is expressed at night in response to the circadian clock. Melatonin is thought to be involved in regulating reproductive physiological development and the progression of sexual maturation, and it is also thought to play a role in tumorigenesis. The melatonin receptors, MEL-1A-R and MEL-1B-R, are members of the superfamily of guanine nucleotide-binding regulatory protein (G protein)-coupled receptors. Signaling through the melatonin receptors inhibits adenylyl cyclase and stimulates phospholipase C $\beta$  upon activation of pertussis toxin (PTX)-sensitive G proteins. MEL-1A-R may be involved in pacing the biological clock. However, both MEL-1A-R and MEL-1B-R are implicated in controlling cellular growth in response to melatonin.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: MTNR1A (human) mapping to 4q35.2; Mtnr1a (mouse) mapping to 8 B1.1.

## SOURCE

MEL-1A-R (V-15) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of MEL-1A-R 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-13180 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.

## APPLICATIONS

MEL-1A-R (V-15) is recommended for detection of MEL-1A-R of mouse, rat and 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).

MEL-1A-R (V-15) is also recommended for detection of MEL-1A-R in additional species, including equine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for MEL-1A-R siRNA (h): sc-35917, MEL-1A-R siRNA (m): sc-40113, MEL-1A-R shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-35917-SH, MEL-1A-R shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-40113-SH, MEL-1A-R shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35917-V and MEL-1A-R shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40113-V.

Molecular Weight of MEL-1A-R: 37 kDa.

Positive Controls: SK-N-SH cell lysate: sc-2410 or IMR-32 cell lysate: sc-2409.

## 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) 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.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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