

# NOBOX (N-13): sc-132005

## BACKGROUND

Early ovarian folliculogenesis is characterized by the breakdown of germ cell clusters and formation of primordial follicles. The cessation of ovarian function under the age of 40 years results in premature ovarian failure (POF) and is accompanied by amenorrhea, hypoestrogenism and elevated serum gonadotropin concentrations. 1% of all women are affected by POF, and mutations in a few genes, including inhibin  $\alpha$ , FSH receptor and the LH/choriogonadotropin receptor have been linked to POF. In addition, several germ cell specific genes and downstream transcription factors are thought to play an important role in human oogenesis. NOBOX (newborn ovary homeobox gene), an oocyte-specific homeobox gene, is a critical protein involved in early folliculogenesis. Missense mutations have been shown to cause nonsyndromic ovarian failure by disrupting the NOBOX proteins ability to bind to NOBOX DNA-binding element (NBE), and thereby inhibiting its regulation of Pou5f1 and GDF-9. NOBOX expression in the ovary is oocyte specific, but it shows expression in adult testis and pancreas as well.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: NOBOX (human) mapping to 7q35.

## SOURCE

NOBOX (N-13) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of NOBOX of human origin.

## STORAGE

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

## 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-132005 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## APPLICATIONS

NOBOX (N-13) is recommended for detection of NOBOX isoforms 1 and 2 of 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 NOBOX siRNA (h): sc-89594, NOBOX shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-89594-SH and NOBOX shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-89594-V.

Molecular Weight (predicted) of human/rat/mouse NOBOX: 74/74/58 kDa.

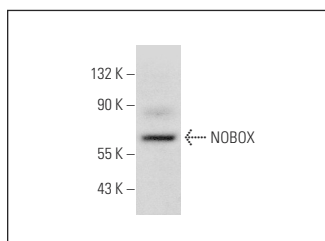
Molecular Weight (observed) of human/rat/mouse NOBOX: 56/45/45 kDa.

Positive Controls: HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200 or Hep G2 cell lysate: sc-2227.

## 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



NOBOX (N-13): sc-132005. Western blot analysis of NOBOX expression in HeLa whole cell lysate.

## RESEARCH USE

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