

# HLA-DM $\alpha$ (E-20): sc-14532

## BACKGROUND

Peptide (antigen) binding to major histocompatibility complex (MHC) class II molecules destined for presentation to CD4<sup>+</sup> helper T cells is determined by two key events. These include the dissociation of class II-associated invariant chain peptides (CLIP) from an antigen binding groove in MHC II- $\gamma$  dimers and by the activity of MHC molecules HLA-DM and -DO. Accumulating in endosomal/lysosomal compartments and on the surface of B cells, HLA-DM, -DO molecules regulate the dissociation of CLIP and the subsequent binding of exogenous peptides to HLA class II molecules (HLA-DR) by sustaining a conformation that favors peptide exchange. RFLP analysis of HLA-DM genes from rheumatoid arthritis (RA) patients suggests that certain polymorphisms are genetic factors for RA susceptibility.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: HLA-DMA (human) mapping to 6p21.32; H2-DMA (mouse) mapping to 17 B1.

## 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-14532 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## SOURCE

HLA-DM $\alpha$  (E-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of HLA-DM $\alpha$  of human origin.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## APPLICATIONS

HLA-DM $\alpha$  (E-20) is recommended for detection of HLA-DM $\alpha$  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).

HLA-DM $\alpha$  (E-20) is also recommended for detection of HLA-DM $\alpha$  in additional species, including equine, canine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for HLA-DMA siRNA (h): sc-42909, HLA-DMA siRNA (m): sc-42910, HLA-DMA shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-42909-SH, HLA-DMA shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42910-SH, HLA-DMA shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42909-V and HLA-DMA shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42910-V.

Molecular Weight of HLA-DM $\alpha$ : 29 kDa.

Positive Controls: U-2 OS cell lysate: sc-2295.

## 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<sup>™</sup> compatible donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2033 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker<sup>™</sup> 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<sup>™</sup> 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.

## PROTOCOLS

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