

# MRCK $\alpha$ (E-20): sc-15295

## BACKGROUND

Protein kinases comprise a large group of encoded factors that regulate cellular processes by catalyzing the transfer of a phosphate group to a hydroxyl acceptor in serine, threonine or tyrosine residues. Myotonic dystrophy kinase-related Cdc42-binding (DMPK-like) kinases  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  (MRCK $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ) contain a cysteine-rich motif and a putative pleckstrin homology domain. MRCKs can phosphorylate nonmuscle myosin light chain and influences actin-myosin contractility. MRCK $\alpha$  can phosphorylate and activate LIM kinases downstream of Cdc42, which leads to inactivation of ADF/Cofilin and actin cytoskeletal reorganization. MRCK $\alpha$  can also influence neurite outgrowth promoted by Cdc42 and Rac.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CDC42BPA (human) mapping to 1q42.13; Cdc42b (mouse) mapping to 1 H4.

## SOURCE

MRCK $\alpha$  (E-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of MRCK $\alpha$  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-15295 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

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

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

Suitable for use as control antibody for MRCK $\alpha$  siRNA (h): sc-60058, MRCK $\alpha$  siRNA (m): sc-60059, MRCK $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60058-SH, MRCK $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-60059-SH, MRCK $\alpha$  shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60058-V and MRCK $\alpha$  shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60059-V.

Molecular Weight of MRCK $\alpha$ : 190 kDa.

Positive Controls: rat brain extract: sc-2392.

## 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.

## PROTOCOLS

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