

# Influenza A m1 (vN-20): sc-17588

## BACKGROUND

Influenza viruses are divided into three types, designated A, B, and C. Influenza types A and B are responsible for epidemics of respiratory illness that occur almost every winter and are often associated with increased rates for hospitalization and death. Influenza type A viruses are divided into subtypes based on differences in two viral proteins called hemagglutinin (H) and neuraminidase (N). The influenza virus matrix 1, otherwise known as m1, is a critical protein required for assembly and budding. Hemagglutinin (HA) and neuraminidase (NA) interact with influenza virus m1 and HA associates with m1 via its cytoplasmic tail and transmembrane domain. The m2 and NB proteins are critical in the replication cycle of influenza viruses. The m2 channel protein is an essential component of the viral envelope because of its ability to form a highly selective, pH-regulated, proton-conducting channel. The m2 channel allows protons to enter the virus' interior, and acidification weakens the interaction of the m1 protein with the ribonuclear core.

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## SOURCE

Influenza A m1 (vN-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of Influenza A m1.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-17588 P, (100 µg 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

Influenza A m1 (vN-20) is recommended for detection of m1 of Influenza A origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Molecular Weight of Influenza A m1: 38 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.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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