



azurocidin (N-20): sc-20293

BACKGROUND

Azurocidin is a multifunctional endotoxin-binding serine protease homolog that accumulates in azurophil granules during the promyelocytic stage of neutrophil differentiation. The human azurocidin gene maps to chromosome 19p13.3 and encodes a 251 amino acid protein. The genes encoding azurocidin, neutrophil elastase and proteinase 3 are in a cluster located at the tip of the short arm of chromosome 19. Each of these three proteins are expressed coordinately and their protein products are packaged together into azurophil granules. When released from activated granulocytes, azurocidin potentiates bacterial uptake in monocytes and enhances the potential of microbial killing in monocytes and granulocytes. Azurocidin potentiates the LPS-induced release of proinflammatory cytokines (TNF-alpha, IL-1 and IL-6) from isolated human monocytes. In addition azurocidin induces Ca²⁺-dependent cytoskeletal rearrangement and intercellular gap formation in endothelial-cell monolayers *in vitro* and increases macromolecular efflux in microvessels *in vivo*. Selective inactivation of azurocidin prevents azurophil granule containing neutrophils from inducing endothelial hyper-permeability, suggesting that azurocidin plays a central role in neutrophil trafficking during inflammation.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: AZU1 (human) mapping to 19p13.3.

RESEARCH USE

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

SOURCE

azurocidin (N-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of azurocidin of human origin.

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-20293 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

APPLICATIONS

azurocidin (N-20) is recommended for detection of azurocidin of 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).

Suitable for use as control antibody for azurocidin siRNA (h): sc-42966.

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.

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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