

SR-A (A-20): sc-20445

BACKGROUND

The macrophage class A scavenger receptor (SR-A) mediates the uptake of modified low density lipoprotein (LDL). The gene encoding human SR-A maps to chromosome 8 and gives rise to two alternatively spliced isoforms, type I and II (SR-AI and SR-AII), which were originally cloned from the phorbol ester-treated human monocytic cell line THP-1. Both isoforms contain six domains: cytoplasmic (I), membrane-spanning (II), spacer (III), α -helical coiled-coil (IV), collagen-like (V) and a type-specific C-terminal (VI). Domain IV is essential for the trimerization of SR-A, whereas domain V is essential for the wide range of ligand recognition. SR-A is expressed in liver, placenta and brain. Both SR-AI and SR-AII mediate the uptake of LDLs in atherosclerotic lesions. A third isoform, SR-AIII, is unable to uptake LDLs and acts as a dominant negative isoform to possibly protect cells found in advanced atherosclerotic lesions. SR-A plays a role not only in many macrophage-associated pathological processes, including atherosclerosis and Alzheimer's disease, but also in host defense and as an adhesion molecule.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Msr1 (mouse) mapping to 8 A4.

SOURCE

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

PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-20445 P, (100 μ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

APPLICATIONS

SR-A (A-20) is recommended for detection of SR-A isoforms I and II of mouse and rat 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 SR-A siRNA (m): sc-40188, SR-A shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-40188-SH and SR-A shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40188-V.

Molecular Weight of SR-A: 75 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. 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.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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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.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com or our catalog for detailed protocols and support products.