myocilin (N-15): sc-21243



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BACKGROUND

Myocilin is an extracellular protein expressed in the eye, including the retina, trabecular meshwork and ciliary body. Myocilin can form homomultimers *in vivo* and can also associate with components of the ECM via interactions with the Hep II domain of fibronectin. In addition, myocilin interacts with myosin regulatory light chain, a component of the myosin motor protein complex. This interaction implies a role for myocilin in the actomyosin system, linking myocilin to the functional status of the trabecular meshwork™, which is responsible for controlling the intraocular pressure (IOP). Alterations in functions of the TM may lead to IOP elevation and development of glaucoma, a major cause of blindness. Myocilin is encoded by MYOC (also designated TIGR), a gene that maps to the GLC1A locus on chromosome 1q24.3 and is susceptible to mutations. Mutations in the MYOC gene are specifically linked with primary open angle glaucoma (POAG), a blinding disease characterized by progressive loss of retinal ganglion cells.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: MYOC (human) mapping to 1q24.3; Myoc (mouse) mapping to 1 H2.1.

SOURCE

myocilin (N-15) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of myocilin of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 100 μg lgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-21243 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.

RESEARCH USE

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

APPLICATIONS

myocilin (N-15) is recommended for detection of myocilin of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 μ g per 100-500 μ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500), immunohistochemistry (including paraffinembedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

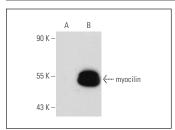
myocilin (N-15) is also recommended for detection of myocilin in additional species, including equine, canine and feline.

Suitable for use as control antibody for myocilin siRNA (h): sc-40753, myocilin siRNA (m): sc-40754, myocilin shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-40753-SH, myocilin shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-40754-SH, myocilin shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40753-V and myocilin shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40754-V.

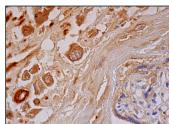
Molecular Weight of myocilin: 57 kDa.

Positive Controls: myocilin (h): 293T Lysate: sc-114465.

DATA



myocilin (N-15): sc-21243. Western blot analysis of myocilin expression in non-transfected: sc-117752 (A) and human myocilin transfected: sc-114465 (B) 293T whole cell Ivsates.



myocilin (N-15): sc-21243. Immunoperoxidase staining of formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded human placenta tissue showing cytoplasmic staining of trophoblastic and decidual cells.

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