

## C5 $\alpha$ (P-16): sc-21944

### BACKGROUND

C3 $\alpha$ , C4 $\alpha$  and C5 $\alpha$  are potent anaphylatoxins that are released during complement activation, a system of ligand-surface protein interactions specific to cells of hematopoietic lineage that aids in the elimination of pathogens. Complement C5 precursor contains C5 $\alpha$  anaphylatoxin. C3 $\alpha$  and C5 $\alpha$  secretion correlates with pathophysiological phenotypes such as asthma and bacterial meningitis. Binding of these proteins to their respective G protein-coupled receptors (C3 $\alpha$ R, C5 $\alpha$ R), which are present on the surface of myeloid leukocytes, induces proinflammatory events such as cellular degranulation, smooth muscle contraction, arachidonic acid metabolism, cytokine release, leukocyte activation and cellular chemotaxis. C5 $\alpha$ R utilizes the Ras-Raf-ERK1/2 cascade, couples to G<sub>i</sub>/G<sub>16</sub> proteins, and is prevalent on the surface of hepatocyte, lung, smooth muscle and endothelial cells. Upon activation, C3 $\alpha$ R and C5 $\alpha$ R are susceptible to rapid GRK-mediated phosphorylation and Clathrin-coated vesicle targeting. The C5 precursor is first processed by the removal of four basic residues, forming two chains,  $\beta$  and  $\alpha$ , linked by a disulfide bond. C5 convertase activates C5 by cleaving the  $\alpha$  chain, releasing C5 $\alpha$  anaphylatoxin and generating C5 $\beta$ .

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: C5 (human) mapping to 9q33.2; Hc (mouse) mapping to 2 B.

### SOURCE

C5 $\alpha$  (P-16) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the C-terminus of C5 of mouse origin.

### STORAGE

Store at 4° C, **\*\*DO NOT FREEZE\*\***. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

### 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-21944 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

### APPLICATIONS

C5 $\alpha$  (P-16) is recommended for detection of C5 precursor, C5 $\alpha$  chain and C5 $\alpha'$  chain of mouse, rat and, to a lesser extent, human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], 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 C5 siRNA (h): sc-42848, C5 siRNA (m): sc-42849, C5 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-42848-SH, C5 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42849-SH, C5 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42848-V and C5 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42849-V.

Molecular Weight of C5 precursor: 188 kDa.

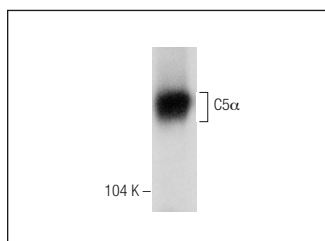
Molecular Weight of C5 $\alpha$ : 125 kDa.

Positive Controls: rat plasma whole cell lysate.

### 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) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml). 3) 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.

### DATA



C5 $\alpha$  (P-16): sc-21944. Western blot analysis of C5 $\alpha$  expression in rat plasma.

### RESEARCH USE

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