# Protamine 1 (A-17): sc-23107



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#### **BACKGROUND**

Protamines are small, arginine-rich (basic) nuclear proteins that mediate normal sperm head condensation and DNA stabilization. Mice, humans and certain fish have two or more different protamines, whereas the sperm of bull, boar, rat, rabbit, guinea pig and ram have one form of protamine. The majority of DNA in human sperm is bound to protamines with only a small proportion of DNA bound to histones in a way similar to active chromatin. The retention of histone association with sperm DNA with respect to protamine association to sperm DNA can change within as little as 400 bp of DNA, suggesting that there is fine control over haploid DNA organization. Protamines eventually replace histones late in the haploid phase of spermatogenesis. The human Protamine 1 gene maps to chromosome 16p13.13 and encodes a 51 amino acid protein. The human Protamine 2 gene maps to chromosome 16p13.13 and encodes a 102 amino acid protein.

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# CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PRM1 (human) mapping to 16p13.13; Prm1 (mouse) mapping to 16 A1.

## **SOURCE**

Protamine 1 (A-17) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the N-terminus of Protamine 1 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  $\mu g$  lgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-23107 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## **APPLICATIONS**

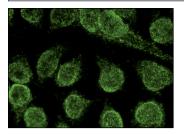
Protamine 1 (A-17) is recommended for detection of Protamine 1 of mouse, rat and, to a lesser extent, human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000); may cross-react with transformer-2 protein homolog.

Positive Controls: mouse testis extract: sc-2405 or rat testis extract: sc-2400.

## **RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use donkey anti-goat lgG-HRP: sc-2020 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible donkey anti-goat lgG-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 lgG-FITC: sc-2024 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

#### **DATA**



Protamine 1 (A-17): sc-23107. Immunofluorescence staining of methanol-fixed HeLa cells showing nuclear localization

## **SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS**

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#### **RESEARCH USE**

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