

Protamine 2 (M-107): sc-30172

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 16p13.2 and encodes a 51 amino acid protein. The human Protamine 2 gene maps to chromosome 16p13.2 and encodes a 102 amino acid protein.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Prm2 (mouse) mapping to 16 A1.

STORAGE

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

SOURCE

Protamine 2 (M-107) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 1-107 representing full length Protamine 2 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.

APPLICATIONS

Protamine 2 (M-107) is recommended for detection of Protamine 2 of mouse and rat 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) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Suitable for use as control antibody for Protamine 2 siRNA (m): sc-38206, Protamine 2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-38206-SH and Protamine 2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-38206-V.

Molecular Weight (predicted) of Protamine 2: 13 kDa.

Molecular Weight (observed) of Protamine 2: 22 kDa.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2004 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2030 (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 goat anti-rabbit IgG-FITC: sc-2012 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rabbit IgG-TR: sc-2780 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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RESEARCH USE

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PROTOCOLS

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