# HP1 $\alpha$ (E-16): sc-30742



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# **BACKGROUND**

Chromatin assembly factor-1 (CAF-1) is a multisubunit protein complex that comprises three polypeptide subunits known as p150, p60 and p48. CAF-1 is a nucleosome assembly factor that deposits newly synthesized and acetylated Histones H3/H4 into nascent chromatin during DNA replication. The p150 subunit of CAF-1 also supports the maintenance of heterochromatin, which requires the synthesis of both new histones and heterochromatin proteins and their orderly assembly during DNA replication. Heterochromatin is characterized as densely coiled chromatin that generally replicates late during S phase, has a low gene density and contains large blocks of repetitive DNA that is relatively inaccessible to DNA-modifying reagents. In late S phase, p150 directly associates with heterochromatin associated proteins 1 (HP1), HP1 $\alpha$ , HP1 $\beta$  and HP1 $\gamma$ . As cells prepare for mitosis, CAF-1 p150 and some HP1 progressively dissociate from heterochromatin, coinciding with the phosphorylation of Histone H3. The HP1 proteins reassociate with chromatin at the end of mitosis, as Histone H3 is dephosphorylated.

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# **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: CBX5 (human) mapping to 12q13.13; Cbx5 (mouse) mapping to 15 F3.

# **SOURCE**

HP1 $\alpha$  (E-16) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of HP1 $\alpha$  of human origin.

# **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-30742 P, (100  $\mu g$  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.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

HP1 $\alpha$  (E-16) is recommended for detection of HP1 $\alpha$  of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 μg per 100-500 μg 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); non cross-reactive with HP1 $\beta$  and HP1 $\gamma$ .

 $HP1\alpha$  (E-16) is also recommended for detection of  $HP1\alpha$  in additional species, including equine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for HP1 $\alpha$  siRNA (h): sc-37737, HP1 $\alpha$  siRNA (m): sc-37738, HP1 $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37738-SH, HP1 $\alpha$  shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37737-V and HP1 $\alpha$  shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37738-V.

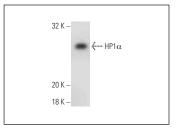
Molecular Weight of HP1α: 22 kDa.

Positive Controls: MCF7 nuclear extract: sc-2149 or HeLa nuclear extract: sc-2120.

#### **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



HP1 $\alpha$  (E-16): sc-30742. Western blot analysis of HP1 $\alpha$  expression in MCF7 nuclear extract.

# **RESEARCH USE**

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



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