## SANTA CRUZ BIOTECHNOLOGY, INC.

# PP2Cα (N-13): sc-32401



### BACKGROUND

The phosphorylation and dephosphorylation of proteins on serine and threonine residues is an essential means of regulating a broad range of cellular functions in eukaryotes, including division, homeostasis and apoptosis. A group of proteins that are intimately involved in this process are the serine/ threonine protein phosphatases. The protein phosphatase 2C $\alpha$  (PP2C $\alpha$ ) has broad specificity. It dephosphorylates and negatively regulates the activities of MAP kinases and MAP kinase-kinases, and also inhibits the activation of p38 and JNK kinase cascades induced by environmental stresses. PP2C $\alpha$  also induces the expression of endogenous p53 and the p53-responsive gene p21, leading to cell cycle arrest and apoptosis. The PP2C $\alpha$  protein, which contains an active site containing a dinuclear metal ion center, shows highest expression in epithelial cells as well as in the digestive tract, lung, kidney, breast, prostate, endocrine glands and brain.

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#### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: PPM1A (human) mapping to 14q23.1; Ppm1a (mouse) mapping to 12 C3.

#### SOURCE

 $\label{eq:PP2Ca} \mbox{ (N-13) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of PP2Ca1 of human origin.}$ 

## 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-32401 P, (100  $\mu g$  peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## APPLICATIONS

PP2C $\alpha$  (N-13) is recommended for detection of PP2C $\alpha$  isoforms 1 and 2 of mouse, rat and 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), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded 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).

PP2C $\alpha$  (N-13) is also recommended for detection of PP2C $\alpha$  isoforms 1 and 2 in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for PP2C $\alpha$  siRNA (h): sc-45214, PP2C $\alpha$  siRNA (m): sc-45215, PP2C $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-45214-SH, PP2C $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-45215-SH, PP2C $\alpha$  shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45214-V and PP2C $\alpha$  shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45215-V.

Molecular Weight of PP2Ca: 46 kDa.

Positive Controls: A-431 whole cell lysate: sc-2201 or HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200.

### **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) Immunofluo-rescence: 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. 3) Immunohistochemistry: use ImmunoCruz™: sc-2053 or ABC: sc-2023 goat IgG Staining Systems.

### DATA



PP2Ca (N-13): sc-32401. Immunoperoxidase staining of formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded human duodenum tissue showing cytoplasmic staining of glandular cells.

#### **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.