

# ACTH (P-12): sc-33034

## BACKGROUND

POMC (pro-opiomelanocortin), also known as corticotropin-lipotropin, is a 267 amino acid polypeptide hormone precursor that goes through extensive, tissue-specific posttranslational processing by prohormone convertases. POMC is cleaved into ten hormone chains named NPP,  $\gamma$ -MSH, ACTH,  $\alpha$ -MSH, CLIP (corticotropin-like intermediary peptide), Lipotropin  $\beta$ , Lipotropin  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ -MSH,  $\beta$  endorphin and Met-enkephalin. Defects in the gene that encodes POMC are the cause of POMC deficiency, which is characterized by red hair and adrenal insufficiency. Mutations in the POMC gene have also been linked to susceptibility to obesity. ACTH, also known as corticotropin, is a 39 amino acid active peptide that stimulates the secretion of cortisol by the adrenal gland. ACTH is often produced in response to biological stress.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: POMC (human) mapping to 2p23.3; Pomc1 (mouse) mapping to 12 A1.1.

## SOURCE

ACTH (P-12) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of POMC 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-33034 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

ACTH (P-12) is recommended for detection of POMC and the processed active peptide ACTH 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) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

ACTH (P-12) is also recommended for detection of POMC and the processed active peptide ACTH in additional species, including canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for POMC siRNA (h): sc-37277, POMC siRNA (m): sc-37278, POMC shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-37277-SH, POMC shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-37278-SH, POMC shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37277-V and POMC shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37278-V.

Molecular Weight of POMC precursor: 30 kDa.

Molecular Weight of ACTH: 5 kDa.

## 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) 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.

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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