

# ZAG (F-9): sc-365850

## BACKGROUND

ZAG (Zn- $\alpha$ 2-glycoprotein, also designated Zn- $\alpha$ 2-gp) is a soluble, secreted protein found in serum and other body fluids (such as cerebrospinal fluid, blood plasma, urine and sweat). ZAG has a tendency to precipitate with zinc salts, has electrophoretic mobility in the region of the two globulins, and has 18% carbohydrate content. A member of the immunoglobulin superfamily, ZAG has a high degree of sequence similarity to class-I major histocompatibility complex (MHC) antigens. The ZAG structure includes a large groove analogous to class I MHC peptide binding grooves. The crystal structure of ZAG resembles a class I MHC heavy chain but does not bind the class I light chain  $\beta$ 2-Microglobulin, unlike other MHC related proteins. ZAG stimulates lipid degradation in adipocytes and its overexpression causes the extensive fat losses associated with some advanced cancers.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: AZGP1 (human) mapping to 7q22.1; Azgp1 (mouse) mapping to 5 G2.

## SOURCE

ZAG (F-9) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against amino acids 13-135 mapping near the N-terminus of ZAG of human origin.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200  $\mu$ g IgG<sub>2a</sub> kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

## APPLICATIONS

ZAG (F-9) is recommended for detection of ZAG of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:100, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ 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 ZAG siRNA (h): sc-36865, ZAG siRNA (m): sc-36866, ZAG shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-36865-SH, ZAG shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-36866-SH, ZAG shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-36865-V and ZAG shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-36866-V.

Molecular Weight of ZAG: 47 kDa.

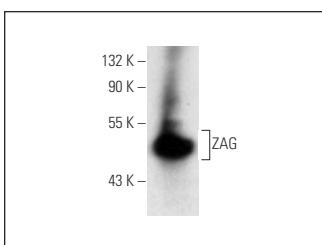
Positive Controls: rat liver extract: sc-2395.

## RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS

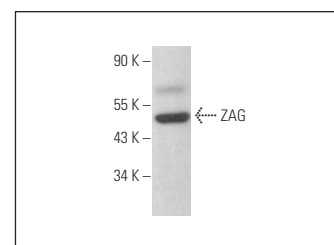
To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended:

- Western Blotting: use m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker<sup>™</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048.
- Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml).
- Immunofluorescence: use m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-IgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz<sup>®</sup> Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

## DATA



ZAG (F-9): sc-365850. Western blot analysis of ZAG in human plasma.



ZAG (F-9): sc-365850. Western blot analysis of ZAG expression in rat liver tissue extract.

## 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.

## PROTOCOLS

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