## BACKGROUND

Growth differentiation factor 15 (GDF-15), also known as PDF, MIC-1, PLAB, NAG-1 or PTGF- $\beta$, is a member of the transforming growth factor $\beta$ (TGF $\beta$ ) superfamily. Synthesized intracellularly, the protein is secreted as a dimer linked by disulfide bonds. Epithelial cells and macrophages are the sites of strongest GDF-15 expression, although it is widely expressed in adult tissue. In the brain, GDF-15 expression occurs in the choroid plexus, from which the protein is secreted into the cerebrospinal fluid. The gene for GDF-15 is responsive to p53 tumor suppressor protein, and in cultured cerebellar granule neurons GDF-15 can prevent cell death by the activation of Akt and inhibition of ERK. GDF-15 acts as a trophic factor for certain classes of neurons, promoting cell survival and differentiation. Overexpression of GDF-15 occurs in prostate cancer, and may be a means of diagnosis. In the uterus, GDF-15 may work to suppress maternally derived proinflammatory cytokines, thereby promoting fetal survival.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: GDF15 (human) mapping to 19p13.11; Gdf15 (mouse) mapping to 8 B3.3.

## SOURCE

GDF-15 (C-13) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the C -terminus of GDF-15 of human origin.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains $200 \mu \mathrm{ggG}$ in 1.0 ml of PBS with $<0.1 \%$ sodium azide and $0.1 \%$ gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-46249 P, ( $100 \mu \mathrm{~g}$ peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing $<0.1 \%$ sodium azide and $0.2 \% \mathrm{BSA})$.

## APPLICATIONS

GDF-15 (C-13) is recommended for detection of precursor and mature GDF-15 of human and, to a lesser extent, mouse and rat origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 $\mu \mathrm{g}$ per 100-500 $\mu \mathrm{g}$ 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 GDF-15 siRNA (h): sc-39798, GDF-15 siRNA (m): sc-39799, GDF-15 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-39798-SH, GDF-15 shRNA Plasmid ( m ): sc-39799-SH, GDF-15 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39798-V and GDF-15 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39799-V.
Molecular Weight of GDF-15 precursor: 40 kDa .
Molecular Weight of mature GDF-15: 30 kDa .

## DATA



GDF-15 (C-13): sc-46249. Western blot analysis of human recombinant GDF-15 fusion protein.


GDF-15 (C-13): sc-46249. Immunofluorescence staining of formalin-fixed HeLa cells showing cytoplasmic localization.

## STORAGE

Store at $4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, **DO NOT FREEZE**. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

## RESEARCH USE

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