

# AMCase (Q-16): sc-49356

## BACKGROUND

Chitinases are ubiquitous chitin-fragmenting hydrolases. The chitinase chitotriosidase is capable of cleaving natural chitin and chitin-like substrates in humans and may play a role in immunity against pathogens containing chitin. Activated human macrophages secrete chitotriosidase and increased plasma levels of chitotriosidase are a feature of patients suffering from Gaucher's disease. Expression of mouse chitotriosidase is restricted to brain, skin, bone marrow, kidney, tongue, stomach and testis. The homology between chitotriosidase and chitinases found in lower organisms is significant. Acidic mammalian chitinase precursor (AMCase) degrades chitotriose and chitin. AMCase is highly expressed in stomach tissues and is primarily a secreted protein. It is involved in Th2-mediated inflammation and may play a role in asthma and allergic diseases.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CHIA (human) mapping to 1p13.2.

## SOURCE

AMCase (Q-16) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the C-terminus of AMCase 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-49356 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

AMCase (Q-16) is recommended for detection of AMCase of 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).

AMCase (Q-16) is also recommended for detection of AMCase in additional species, including canine.

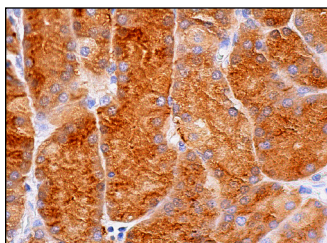
Suitable for use as control antibody for AMCase siRNA (h): sc-60160, AMCase shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60160-SH and AMCase shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60160-V.

Molecular Weight of AMCase: 50/39 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. 3) Immunohistochemistry: use ImmunoCruz™: sc-2053 or ABC: sc-2023 goat IgG Staining Systems.

## DATA



AMCase (Q-16): sc-49356. Immunoperoxidase staining of formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded human lower stomach tissue showing cytoplasmic staining of glandular cells.

## RESEARCH USE

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

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