



## MC-CPA (T-16): sc-49445

### BACKGROUND

Carboxypeptidase A (CPA) is a pancreatic exopeptidase which hydrolyses the peptide bond adjacent to the C-terminal end in polypeptide chains. Mast cell carboxypeptidase A (MC-CPA), a part of the peptidase M14 family, is a highly conserved metalloprotease localized to the secretory granules, along with tryptases and chymases. MC-CPA is stored as an active enzyme in the granule and is released, along with other inflammatory mediators, upon mast cell degranulation. MC-CPA mirrors pancreatic carboxypeptidase A in cleaving COOH-terminal aromatic and aliphatic amino acid residues. The optimum pH of MC-CPA is between neutral and basic, depending upon the substrate. The MC-CPA gene, CPA3, resides on chromosome 3 and contains 11 exons.

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CPA3 (human) mapping to 3q21-q25; Cpa3 (mouse) mapping to 3 A2.

### SOURCE

MC-CPA (T-16) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of MC-CPA of human origin.

### PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-49445 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

### APPLICATIONS

MC-CPA (T-16) is recommended for detection of MC-CPA 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).

Suitable for use as control antibody for MC-CPA siRNA (h): sc-60994 and MC-CPA siRNA (m): sc-60995.

Molecular Weight of MC-CPA: 50 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.

### 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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