# GPA2 (C-16): sc-49952



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### **BACKGROUND**

Glycoprotein hormone  $\alpha 2$  subunit (GPA2) belongs to the dimeric glycoprotein hormones  $\alpha$  chain family. GPA2 is an N-linked glycosylated secreted protein with ten cysteine residues likely involved in cysteine-knot formation. It forms a heterodimer with glycoprotein hormone  $\beta 5$  subunit (GPB5), also called thyrostimulin hormone, and activates thyroid stimulating hormone receptor (also designated thyrotropin receptor or TSHR), which increases cAMP production and stimulates the thymus. GPA2 and GPB5 are both evolutionarily conserved and GPA2 may serve as a scaffold for GPB5 for downstream G protein-coupled signaling. GPA2 demonstrates ubiquitious expression, and co-localizes with GPB5 in the eye, testis and pituitary (GPA2 detected in the anterior lobe).

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### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: GPHA2 (human) mapping to 11q13.1; Gpha2 (mouse) mapping to 19  $\rm A$ .

## SOURCE

GPA2 (C-16) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the C-terminus of GPA2 of human origin.

#### **STORAGE**

Store at 4° C, \*\*DO NOT FREEZE\*\*. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

## **PROTOCOLS**

See our web site at www.scbt.com or our catalog for detailed protocols and support products.

#### **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-49952 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

### **APPLICATIONS**

GPA2 (C-16) is recommended for detection of GPA2 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).

GPA2 (C-16) is also recommended for detection of GPA2 in additional species, including canine, bovine and porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for GPA2 siRNA (h): sc-60713, GPA2 siRNA (m): sc-60714, GPA2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60713-SH, GPA2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-60714-SH, GPA2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60713-V and GPA2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60714-V.

Molecular Weight (predicted) of GPA2: 14 kDa.

Molecular Weight (observed) of GPA2: 28 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) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

## **RESEARCH USE**

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



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