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# α-defensin 4 (H-51): sc-50344



# BACKGROUND

Human neutrophil  $\alpha$ -defensins (also designated HNPs) are small, cationic, cysteine-rich antimicrobial proteins that play important roles in innate immunity against infectious microbes such as bacteria, fungi and enveloped viruses.  $\alpha$ -defensins are synthesized as inactive precursors and are activated by proteolytic cleavage by MMP-7. Paneth cells in small intestinal crypts secrete the  $\alpha$ -defensins, which are also termed Cryptidins in mice. The Cryptidin 4 gene is unique among the Paneth cell  $\alpha$ -defensins in that it is inactive in the duodenum, but expressed at maximal levels in the distal small bowel.

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# CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: DEFA4 (human) mapping to 8p23.

## SOURCE

 $\alpha$ -defensin 4 (H-51) is a rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against amino acids 47-97 mapping at the C-terminus of  $\alpha$ -defensin 4 of human origin.

### PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200  $\mu$ g lgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

# **APPLICATIONS**

 $\alpha$ -defensin 4 (H-51) is recommended for detection of  $\alpha$ -defensin 4 mature chain and precursor of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 µg per 100-500 µg 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  $\alpha$ -defensin 4 siRNA (h): sc-60047,  $\alpha$ -defensin 4 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-60047-SH and  $\alpha$ -defensin 4 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60047-V.

Molecular Weight of  $\alpha$ -defensin 4: 11 kDa.

Positive Controls: THP-1 cell lysate: sc-2238, ZR-75-1 cell lysate: sc-2241 or GA-10 whole cell lysate.

# **RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2004 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker<sup>™</sup> compatible goat anti-rabbit IgG-HRP: sc-2030 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker<sup>™</sup> Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml). 3) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-rabbit IgG-FITC: sc-2012 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rabbit IgG-TR: sc-2780 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz<sup>™</sup> Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

### DATA



 $\alpha\text{-defensin 4 (H-51): sc-50344}.$  Western blot analysis of  $\alpha\text{-defensin 4}$  expression in THP-1 (**A**), HT-1080 (**B**), ZR-75-1 (**C**) and GA-10 (**D**) whole cell lysates.

# **STORAGE**

Store at 4° C, \*\*D0 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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