

## Ricin A (CP37): sc-52185

### BACKGROUND

Ricin, a type II ribosomal inactivating protein, inhibits protein biosynthesis by its RNA N-glycosidase activity. Ricin toxin, derived from the castor bean *Ricinus communis*, is a prototypic A-B toxin in which the B chain binds to the target cell, and the A chain (RTA) mediates the toxic activity. Ricin B chain (RTB) is a lectin that is responsible for cell agglutination and binds to  $\beta$ -D-galactopyranoside moieties found at the cell surface (e.g., on glycoproteins), allowing the A chain to enter the cell. In turn, the A chain functions enzymatically as an RNA N-glycosidase that depurinates adenine 4324 in the 28S rRNA of the 60S ribosomal subunit. The crystal structure of ricin has been defined.

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### SOURCE

Ricin A (CP37) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against full-length agglutinin of *Ricinus communis* origin.

### PRODUCT

Each vial contains 100  $\mu$ g IgG<sub>2a</sub> in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

### APPLICATIONS

Ricin A (CP37) is recommended for detection of RCA120 and the A-chain of *Ricinus communis* agglutinin of *Ricinus communis* origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Molecular Weight of Ricin A: 32 kDa.

### 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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