Ricin A (RA122): sc-52187



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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 $\beta\text{-D-galactopyranoside}$ 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 (RA122) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against agglutinin of *Ricinus communis* origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 100 $\mu g \; lg G_1$ in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

Ricin A (RA122) is recommended for detection of RCA120 and the A chain of RCA60 of *Ricinus communis* origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000).

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

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PROTOCOLS

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