## BACKGROUND

The p53 gene is a widely studied anti-oncogene, or tumor suppressor gene. The p53 gene product can act as a negative regulator of cell growth in response to DNA damage. Mutations and allelic loss of the p53 gene have been associated with malignant transformation in a wide variety of human tumors. p53 shares considerable sequence similarity with p73, a gene that maps to a region in chromosome 1 that is frequently deleted in neuroblastomas. However, p73 does not appear to be activated by DNA damaging agents. The p73 isoform p73 $\alpha$ inhibits drug-induced apoptosis in small cell lung carcinoma cells, while the p73 isoform p73 $\beta$ promotes it. p73 $\alpha$ also prevents Bax activation, mitochondrial dysfunction and caspase activation, and is able to reduce apoptosis induced by the BH3-only protein PUMA (p53 upregulated modulator of apoptosis). There is an equilibrium between p73 $\alpha$ and $p 73 \beta$, demonstrated by the fact that $p 73 \alpha$ inhibits the pro-apoptotic effect of $\mathrm{p} 73 \beta$.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: TP73 (human) mapping to 1 p36.32.

## SOURCE

p73 $\alpha$ (SPM431) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against amino acids 380-637 of p73 $\alpha$ of monkey origin.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains $50 \mu \mathrm{glg} \mathrm{g}_{1}$ in 0.5 ml of PBS with $<0.1 \%$ sodium azide and $0.1 \%$ gelatin.

## APPLICATIONS

$\mathrm{p} 73 \alpha$ (SPM431) is recommended for detection of p73 $\alpha$ of human and monkey origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:1001:1000), immunoprecipitation [ $1-2 \mu \mathrm{~g}$ per $100-500 \mu \mathrm{~g}$ of total protein ( 1 ml of cell lysate)] and immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500); non cross-reactive with p53 or p53-related p51/Ket protein; not recommended for detection of $\mathrm{p} 73 \beta$.

Suitable for use as control antibody for p73 siRNA (h): sc-36167, p73 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-36167-SH and p73 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-36167-V.
Molecular Weight of p73a: 73 kDa .
Positive Controls: HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200 or A549 cell lysate: sc-2413.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Rastogi, S., et al. 2012. TNF- $\alpha$ response of vascular endothelial and vascular smooth muscle cells involve differential utilization of ASK1 kinase and p73. Cell Death Differ. 19: 274-283.

## STORAGE

Store at $4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, ${ }^{* *}$ 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

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


See p73 (E-4): sc-17823 for p73 antibody conjugates, including AC, HRP, FITC, PE, Alexa Fluor ${ }^{\circledR} 488$ and Alexa Fluor ${ }^{\circledR} 647$.

