α-Actin (SPM332): sc-56499



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BACKGROUND

All eukaryotic cells express Actin, which often constitutes as much as 50% of total cellular protein. Actin filaments can form both stable and labile structures and are crucial components of microvilli and the contractile apparatus of muscle cells. While lower eukaryotes, such as yeast, have only one Actin gene, higher eukaryotes have several isoforms encoded by a family of genes. At least six types of Actin are present in mammalian tissues and fall into three classes. α -Actin expression is limited to various types of muscle, whereas β -Actin and γ -Actin are the principle constituents of filaments in other tissues. Members of the small GTPase family regulate the organization of the Actin cytoskeleton. Rho controls the assembly of Actin stress fibers and focal adhesion, Rac regulates Actin filament accumulation at the plasma membrane and Cdc42 stimulates formation of filopodia.

CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: ACTA2 (human) mapping to 10q23.31; Acta2 (mouse) mapping to 19 C1.

SOURCE

 $\alpha\text{-Actin}$ (SPM332) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against an N-terminal decapeptide of smooth muscle $\alpha\text{-Actin}$ of human origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 $\mu g \; lgG_{2a}$ kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

 $\alpha\textsc{-Actin}$ (SPM332) is recommended for detection of smooth muscle $\alpha\textsc{-Actin}$ of mouse, rat, human and bovine 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), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000); non cross-reactive with Actin from fibroblasts (β -and γ -cytoplasmic), myocardium (α -myocardial), and striated muscle (α -sarcomeric).

Suitable for use as control antibody for ACTA2 siRNA (h): sc-43590, ACTA2 siRNA (m): sc-43591, ACTA2 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-43590-SH, ACTA2 shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-43591-SH, ACTA2 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43590-V and ACTA2 shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-43591-V.

Molecular Weight of α -Actin: 43 kDa.

Positive Controls: BC_3H1 cell lysate: sc-2299, A-10 cell lysate: sc-3806 or IMR-32 cell lysate: sc-2409.

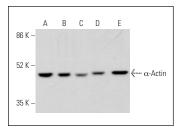
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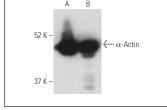
Store at 4° C, **DO NOT FREEZE**. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

RESEARCH USE

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

DATA





 α -Actin (SPM332): sc-56499. Western blot analysis of α -Actin expression in A-673 (**A**), IMR-32 (**B**), HeLa (**C**), A-431 (**D**) and HL-60 (**E**) whole cell lysates.

 $\alpha\text{-Actin (SPM332)};$ sc-56499. Western blot analysis of $\alpha\text{-Actin expression in BC}_3\text{H1 (A)}$ and A-10 (B) whole cell lysates. Detection reagent used: m-lgGk BP-HRP:

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See α -Actin (1A4): sc-32251 for α -Actin antibody conjugates, including AC, HRP, FITC, PE, and Alexa Fluor® 488, 546, 594, 647, 680 and 790.