

# Serine racemase (A-17): sc-5751

## BACKGROUND

Known to be prominent in bacteria, D amino acids were generally thought to be absent in mammals. D-serine has since been found in high levels in the mammalian brain and in various mammalian fluids. D-serine activates N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptors—molecules with important roles in learning, brain growth and brain cell death. Serine racemase is the enzyme catalyzing the formation of D-serine from L-serine. Serine racemase is a member of the family of pyridoxal-5' phosphate-dependent enzymes and is localized to glial cells in rat brain.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: SRR (human) mapping to 17p13.3; Srr (mouse) mapping to 11 B5.

## SOURCE

Serine racemase (A-17) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the N-terminus of Serine racemase of mouse origin.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-5751 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## STORAGE

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

## PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) or our catalog for detailed protocols and support products.

## APPLICATIONS

Serine racemase (A-17) is recommended for detection of Serine racemase of mouse, rat and 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), 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).

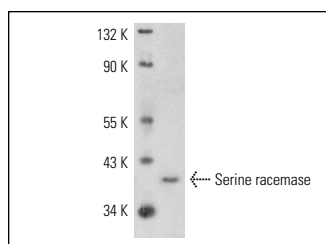
Serine racemase (A-17) is also recommended for detection of Serine racemase in additional species, including canine and bovine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for Serine racemase siRNA (h): sc-42221, Serine racemase siRNA (m): sc-42222, Serine racemase shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-42221-SH, Serine racemase shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-42222-SH, Serine racemase shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42221-V and Serine racemase shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-42222-V.

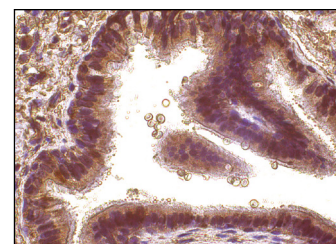
Molecular Weight of Serine racemase: 37 kDa.

Positive Controls: mouse brain extract: sc-2253 or rat brain extract: sc-2392.

## DATA



Serine racemase (A-17): sc-5751. Western blot analysis of Serine racemase expression in mouse brain tissue extract.



Serine racemase (A-17): sc-5751. Immunoperoxidase staining of formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded human lung tissue showing nuclear and cytoplasmic staining of respiratory epithelial cells.

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## RESEARCH USE

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