# AACT (802): sc-59431



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# **BACKGROUND**

The serine proteinase inhibitors (serpins) are a superfamily of proteins with a diverse set of functions, including the control of blood coagulation, complement activation, programmed cell death and development. The most abundant serpins in human plasma are  $\alpha$  1-antitrypsin (AAT) and  $\alpha$  1-antichymotrypsin (AACT). AACT (also called A1AC and serpina3) is a plasma protease inhibitor synthesized in the liver as a single glycopeptide chain. In human, the normal serum level of AACT is about one-tenth that of AAT, with which it shares nucleic acid and protein sequence homology. Both are major acute phase reactants; their concentrations in plasma increase in response to trauma, surgery and infection. Elevated levels of AACT are widely, but not universally reported in the cerebrospinal fluid and plasma of AD patients. Prostate-specific antigen (PSA) and its SDS-stable complex with AACT are in widespread use as markers for the diagnosis of prostate cancer. AACT deficiency may also be a possible cause of chronic liver disease.

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#### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: SERPINA3 (human) mapping to 14q32.13.

#### **SOURCE**

AACT (802) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against full length native AACT from serum of human 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.

# **STORAGE**

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

#### **APPLICATIONS**

AACT (802) is recommended for detection of AACT of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)] and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000); non cross-reactive with alpha1 antitrypsin.

Suitable for use as control antibody for AACT siRNA (h): sc-40944, AACT shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-40944-SH and AACT shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-40944-V.

Molecular Weight (predicted) of AACT: 48 kDa.

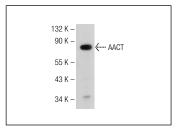
Molecular Weight (observed) of AACT: 65-76 kD.

Positive Controls: HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200.

#### **RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-mouse IgG-HRP: sc-2005 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:32,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-mouse IgG-HRP: sc-2031 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:5000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, TBS Blotto A Blocking Reagent: sc-2333 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml).

### DATA



AACT (802): sc-59431. Western blot analysis of AACT expression in HeLa whole cell lysate.

#### **RESEARCH USE**

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

# **PROTOCOLS**

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