# IL-6Rα (C-20): sc-661



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## **BACKGROUND**

IL-6 activates intracellular signaling through binding a receptor consisting of a ligand-binding protein ( IL-6R $\alpha$ ) and a second protein. IL-6 first binds to IL-6R $\alpha$  (also known as gp80), which subsequently associates with a gp130 dimer. The active signaling complex consists of, at minimum, IL-6, IL-6R $\alpha$  and a dimer of two gp130 proteins that are linked by a disulfide bond. A soluble form of IL-6R $\alpha$ , namely slL-6R $\alpha$ , is generated by proteolytic cleavage of the membrane-bound precursor and can function as an agonistic molecule that can actively participate in cell-to-cell signaling. The second subunit of the IL-6 complex, gp130, also functions as a component of several additional receptor complexes, including leukemia inhibitory factor (LIF), Oncostatin M (OSM), ciliary neurotrophic factor (CNTF) and IL-11. LIF binds to the LIF receptor with low affinity and to a complex of the LIF receptor and gp130 with high affinity, while OSM appears to bind to gp130 with low affinity and to a complex of gp130 and the LIF receptor with high affinity.

## **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: IL6R (human) mapping to 1q21.3.

#### SOURCE

IL-6R $\alpha$  (C-20) is an affinity purified rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the C-terminus of IL-6R $\alpha$  of human origin.

# **PRODUCT**

Each vial contains 200  $\mu g$  lgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with <0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-661 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

# **APPLICATIONS**

IL-6R $\alpha$  (C-20) is recommended for detection of IL-6R $\alpha$  of human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:100, dilution range 1:50-1:500), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:25, dilution range 1:25-1:250) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000)

IL-6R $\alpha$  (C-20) is also recommended for detection of IL-6R $\alpha$  in additional species, including canine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for IL-6R $\alpha$  siRNA (h): sc-35663, IL-6R $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-35663-SH and IL-6R $\alpha$  shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-35663-V.

Molecular Weight of IL-6Rα: 80 kDa.

Positive Controls: HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200, BJAB whole cell lysate: sc-2207 or Hep G2 cell lysate: sc-2227.

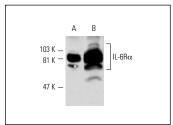
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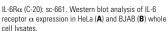
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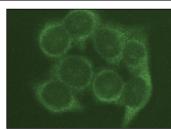
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For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

### DATA







IL-6R $\alpha$  (C-20): sc-661. Immunofluorescence staining of methanol-fixed HeLa cells showing cytoplasmic and membrane staining.

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