

Inhibin β -C (T-20): sc-6889

BACKGROUND

The TGF β superfamily is composed of numerous growth and differentiation factors, including transforming growth factor β (TGF β) 1, 2 and 3; growth/differentiation factor (GDF) 1 through 8; Mullerian inhibiting substance (MIS); bone morphogenic protein (BMP) 2 through 8; glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF); inhibins (α , β -A, β -B and β -C), Lefty and Nodal. Members of the TGF β superfamily are involved in embryonic development and adult tissue homeostasis. Inhibins and activins inhibit and activate, respectively, the secretion of follitropin by the pituitary gland. Inhibins and activins are involved in regulating a number of functions such as hypothalamic and pituitary hormone secretion, gonadal hormone secretion, germ cell development and maturation, erythroid differentiation, Insulin secretion, nerve cell survival, embryonic axial development or bone growth depending on their subunit composition. Activins oppose the functions of inhibins. Inhibins are predominantly expressed in liver, uterus and ovary tissue, but also in benign prostatic hyperplasia. Inhibin A, a dimer of α and β -A, and inhibin B, a dimer of α and β -B, have been shown to inhibit the secretion of follicle stimulating hormone. Inhibin β -C forms a homodimer and its expression is predominant in adult liver and in benign prostatic hyperplasia.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: INHBC/INHBE (human) mapping to 12q13.3; Inhbc/Inhbe (mouse) mapping to 10 D3.

SOURCE

Inhibin β -C (T-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping near the C-terminus of Inhibin β -C of human origin.

STORAGE

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

PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-6889 P, (100 μ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

APPLICATIONS

Inhibin β -C (T-20) is recommended for detection of precursor and mature Inhibin β -C and, to a lesser extent, Inhibin β -E of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and ELISA (Serially diluted 1:30-1:1000).

Inhibin β -C (T-20) is also recommended for detection of precursor and mature Inhibin β -C and, to a lesser extent, Inhibin β -E in additional species, including equine, canine, bovine and porcine.

Molecular Weight of Inhibin β -C: 21 kDa.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2020 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:100,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible donkey anti-goat IgG-HRP: sc-2033 (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) Immunofluorescence: use donkey anti-goat IgG-FITC: sc-2024 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or donkey anti-goat IgG-TR: sc-2783 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

RESEARCH USE

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

PROTOCOLS

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