



C3 (6A525): sc-70474

BACKGROUND

Complement C3 precursor contains complement C3 β chain, complement C3 α chain, C3a anaphylatoxin, complement C3b α chain, complement C3c fragment, complement C3dg fragment, complement C3g fragment, complement C3d fragment and complement C3f fragment. C3a, C4a and C5a are potent anaphylatoxins that are released during complement activation, a system of ligand-surface protein interactions specific to cells of hematopoietic lineage that aids in the elimination of pathogens. C3a and C5a secretion correlates with pathophysiological phenotypes such as asthma and bacterial meningitis. Binding of these proteins to their respective G protein-coupled receptors (C3aR, C5aR), which are present on the surface of myeloid leukocytes, induces proinflammatory events such as cellular degranulation, smooth muscle contraction, arachidonic acid metabolism, cytokine release, leukocyte activation and cellular chemotaxis. C3aR is expressed in brain and activated B lymphocytes, whereas C5aR is prevalent on the surface of hepatocyte, lung, smooth muscle and endothelial cells. Upon activation, C3aR and C5aR are susceptible to rapid GRK-mediated phosphorylation and Clathrin-coated vesicle targeting. C5aR utilizes the Ras-Raf-ERK1/2 cascade and couples to G_i/G16 proteins.

REFERENCES

- de, Buijn M.H., et al. 1985. Human complement component C3: cDNA coding sequence and derived primary structure. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 82: 708-712.
- Buhl, A.M., et al. 1995. Mitogen-activated protein kinase activation requires two signal inputs from the human anaphylatoxin C5a receptor. *J. Biol. Chem.* 270: 19828-19832.
- Stahel, P.F., et al. 1997. TNF α -mediated expression of the receptor for anaphylatoxin C5a on neurons in experimental *Listeria meningoencephalitis*. *J. Immunol.* 159: 861-869.
- Settmacher, B., et al. 1999. Modulation of C3a activity: internalization of the human C3a receptor and its inhibition by C5a. *J. Immunol.* 162: 7409-7416.
- Langkabel, P., et al. 1999. Ligand-induced phosphorylation of anaphylatoxin receptors C3aR and C5aR is mediated by G protein-coupled receptor kinases. *Eur. J. Immunol.* 29: 3035-3046.
- Humbles, A.A., et al. 2000. A role for the C3a anaphylatoxin receptor in the effector phase of asthma. *Nature* 406: 998-1001.

CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: C3 (human) mapping to 19p13.3-p13.2; C3 (mouse) mapping to 2 E1.

SOURCE

C3 (6A525) is a rat monoclonal antibody raised against cell-bound C3 of mouse origin.

PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 μ g IgG_{2a} in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

APPLICATIONS

C3 (6A525) is recommended for detection of C3 of mouse origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1–2 μ g per 100–500 μ g of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and flow cytometry (1 μ g per 1 x 10⁶ cells); may cross-react with C3b and iC3b.

Suitable for use as control antibody for C3 siRNA (m): sc-37069.

Molecular Weight of C3 : 180 kDa.

RECOMMENDED SECONDARY REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support (secondary) reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use goat anti-rat IgG-HRP: sc-2006 (dilution range: 1:2000-1:32,000) or Cruz Marker™ compatible goat anti-rat IgG-HRP: sc-2032 (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). 3) Immunofluorescence: use goat anti-rat IgG-FITC: sc-2011 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) or goat anti-rat IgG-TR: sc-2782 (dilution range: 1:100-1:400) with UltraCruz™ Mounting Medium: sc-24941.

STORAGE

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.

PROTOCOLS

See our web site at www.scbt.com or our catalog for detailed protocols and support products.