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# β-defensin 128 (V-13): sc-85539



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#### BACKGROUND

 $\beta$ -defensins (also designated BDs, or hBDs in human) are small cationic peptides with broad-spectrum antimicrobial activity against a variety of enveloped viruses, fungi and bacteria. Produced in mucosal epithelia and neutrophils of several species,  $\beta$ -defensins are developmentally regulated. The family of  $\beta$ -defensin proteins share a common defensin-motif that is characterized by multiple cysteine residues and a highly conserved tertiary structure. Besides playing a significant role in host immune defense, many  $\beta$ -defensins also are involved in sperm maturation and capacitation.  $\beta$ -defensin 128 is a 93 amino acid secreted protein that most likely contains a signal peptide sequence that requires cleavage by proteolytic enzymes in order to become biologically active.

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#### CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: DEFB128 (human) mapping to 20p13.

#### SOURCE

 $\beta$ -defensin 128 (V-13) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping within an internal region of  $\beta$ -defensin 128 of human origin.

#### **RESEARCH USE**

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

#### 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-85539 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

### **APPLICATIONS**

 $\beta$ -defensin 128 (V-13) is recommended for detection of  $\beta$ -defensin 128 of 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 solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Suitable for use as control antibody for  $\beta$ -defensin 128 siRNA (h): sc-77125,  $\beta$ -defensin 128 shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-77125-SH and  $\beta$ -defensin 128 shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-77125-V.

Molecular Weight of  $\beta$ -defensin 128: 11 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) Immunofluo-rescence: 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.

#### **STORAGE**

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

#### PROTOCOLS

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