

# MIP-3 $\alpha$ (A-20): sc-9776

## BACKGROUND

Chemokines are members of a superfamily of small inducible, secreted, pro-inflammatory cytokines. Members of the chemokine family exhibit 20 to 50% homology in their predicted amino acid sequences and are divided into four subfamilies. In the C-X-C (or  $\alpha$ ) subfamily, the first two of four cysteine residues are separated by a single amino acid. In C-C (or  $\beta$ ) subfamily, the first two cysteines are adjacent. C subfamily members, also designated  $\gamma$  chemokines, lack the first and third cysteine residues of the conserved motif. C-C chemokines are chemoattractants and activators for monocytes and T cells. C-C subfamily members include macrophage inflammatory protein (MIP)-1 $\alpha$ , MIP-1 $\beta$ , MIP-2, MIP-3 $\alpha$ , MIP-3 $\beta$ , MIP-4, HCC-1, MIP-5 (or HCC-2), RANTES, MCP-1/2/3 (and the murine homologs JE and MARC), I-309, murine C10 and TCA3. MIP-3 $\alpha$  is expressed in several tissues and cell lines. MIP-3 $\beta$  expression is restricted to lymph nodes, thymus and appendix.

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## CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: CCL20 (human) mapping to 2q33-q37; Ccl20 (mouse) mapping to 1 C5.

## SOURCE

MIP-3 $\alpha$  (A-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the C-terminus of MIP-3 $\alpha$  of mouse 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  $\mu$ g IgG in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-9776 P, (100  $\mu$ g peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

## APPLICATIONS

MIP-3 $\alpha$  (A-20) is recommended for detection of MIP-3 $\alpha$  of mouse and rat 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 MIP-3 $\alpha$  siRNA (m): sc-60000, MIP-3 $\alpha$  shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-60000-SH and MIP-3 $\alpha$  shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60000-V.

Molecular Weight of MIP-3 $\alpha$ : 12 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.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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