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CIITA (M-20): sc-9870

BACKGROUND

The mounting of an immune response and CD4 T cell development in vertebrates require the expression of major histocompatibility complex (MHC) class II molecules. MHC class II molecules are heterodimeric cell surface glycoproteins expressed on B cells, macrophages and dendritic cells, which present antigens to $CD4^+$ T cells. CIITA (class II transactivator) acts as a coactivator for MHC class II-specific gene expression and negatively regulates the IL-4 gene promoter during T cell differentiation. IFN-γ induces CIITA gene expression via JAK1 and Stat1 pathways. The GTP-binding and acidic, proline-serine-threonine-rich regions appear to be required for CIITA activity. RFX-B (also designated RFXANK and TvI-1) is the smallest subunit of the RFX complex, which is also required for MHC class II-specific gene transcription. RFX-B contains three ankyrin-repeats that may allow protein-protein interactions between RFX-B and other RFX subunits, and possibly with CIITA and NF-Y. Defects of CIITA and RFX-B have been implicated as causes of Bare Lymphocyte Syndrome (BLS), which is characterized by the absence of MHC class II transcription and severe immunodeficiencies.

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CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: C2ta (mouse) mapping to 16 B1.

SOURCE

CIITA (M-20) is an affinity purified goat polyclonal antibody raised against a peptide mapping at the N-terminus of CIITA of mouse origin.

PRODUCT

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

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-9870 P, (100 µg peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% BSA).

Available as TransCruz reagent for Gel Supershift and ChIP applications, sc-9870 X, 200 µg/0.1 ml.

STORAGE

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

APPLICATIONS

CIITA (M-20) is recommended for detection of CIITA of mouse and rat origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 µg per 100-500 µg of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)], 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).

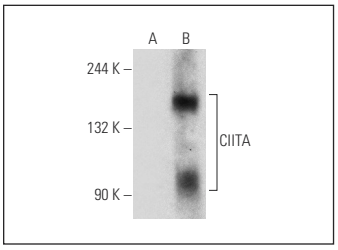
Suitable for use as control antibody for CIITA siRNA (m): sc-37740, CIITA shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-37740-SH and CIITA shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-37740-V.

CIITA (M-20) X TransCruz antibody is recommended for Gel Supershift and ChIP applications.

Molecular Weight of CIITA: 130 kDa.

Positive Controls: CIITA (m2): 293T Lysate: sc-178403 or Jurkat whole cell lysate: sc-2204.

DATA



CIITA (M-20): sc-9870. Western blot analysis of CIITA expression in non-transfected: sc-117752 (**A**) and mouse CIITA transfected: sc-178403 (**B**) 293T whole cell lysates.

SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

1. Drozina, G., et al. 2006. Sequential modifications in class II transactivator isoform 1 induced by lipopolysaccharide stimulate major histocompatibility complex class II transcription in macrophages. J. Biol. Chem. 281: 39963-39970.

RESEARCH USE

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PROTOCOLS

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