



α B-crystallin (m): 293T Lysate: sc-118149

BACKGROUND

Crystallins are the major proteins of the vertebrate eye lens, where they maintain the transparency and refractive index of the lens. Crystallins are divided into α , β and γ families, and the β - and γ -crystallins also compose a superfamily. Crystallins usually contain seven distinct protein regions, including four homologous motifs, a connecting peptide and N- and C-terminal extensions. α -crystallins consist of three gene products, α A-, α B- and α C-crystallin, which are members of the small heat shock protein family (HSP 20). α -crystallins act as molecular chaperones by holding denatured proteins in large soluble aggregates. However, unlike other molecular chaperones, α -crystallins do not renature these proteins. Expression of α A-crystallin is restricted to the lens and defects of this gene cause the development of autosomal dominant congenital cataracts (ADCC). The human α B-crystallin gene product is expressed in many tissues, including lens, heart and skeletal muscle. Elevated expression of α B-crystallin is associated with many neurological diseases, and a missense mutation in this gene has co-segregated in a family with a desmin-related myopathy.

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STORAGE

Store at -20° C. Repeated freezing and thawing should be minimized. Sample vial should be boiled once prior to use. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

PROTOCOLS

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

CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION

Genetic locus: Cryab (mouse) mapping to 9 A5.3.

PRODUCT

α B-crystallin (m): 293T Lysate represents a lysate of mouse α B-crystallin transfected 293T cells and is provided as 100 μ g protein in 200 μ l SDS-PAGE buffer.

APPLICATIONS

α B-crystallin (m): 293T Lysate is suitable as a Western Blotting positive control for mouse reactive α B-crystallin antibodies. Recommended use: 10-20 μ l per lane.

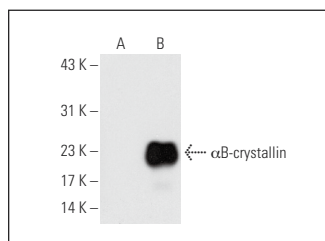
Control 293T Lysate: sc-117752 is available as a Western Blotting negative control lysate derived from non-transfected 293T cells.

α B-crystallin (C-8): sc-137144 is recommended as a positive control antibody for Western Blot analysis of enhanced mouse α B-crystallin expression in α B-crystallin transfected 293T cells (starting dilution 1:100, dilution range 1:100-1:1,000).

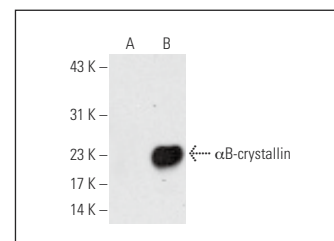
RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended:
1) Western Blotting: use m-IgG κ BP-HRP: sc-516102 or m-IgG κ BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516102-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz® Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048.

DATA



α B-crystallin (C-8): sc-137144. Western blot analysis of α B-crystallin expression in non-transfected: sc-117752 (A) and mouse α B-crystallin transfected: sc-118149 (B) 293T whole cell lysates.



α B-crystallin (A-7): sc-137143. Western blot analysis of α B-crystallin expression in non-transfected: sc-117752 (A) and mouse α B-crystallin transfected: sc-118149 (B) 293T whole cell lysates.

RESEARCH USE

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