# Nodal (A-9): sc-377508



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## **BACKGROUND**

The transforming growth factor  $\beta$  (TGF $\beta$ ) superfamily is composed of numerous growth and differentiation factors, including TGF $\beta$ 1-3, Mullerian inhibiting substance (MIS), growth/differentiation factor (GDF) 1-9, bone morphogenic protein (BMP) 2-8, glial cell line-derived neurotrophic factor (GDNF), Inhibin  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -A,  $\beta$ -B and  $\beta$ -C, Lefty and Nodal. Members of the TGF $\beta$  superfamily are involved in embryonic development and adult tissue homeostasis. Ectodermal cells through the primitive streak delaminate and differentiate into mesoderm during gastrulation. Nodal expression is detectable in the primitive streak at the time of mesoderm formation, indicating a potential role for Nodal in mesoderm formation. Nodal has also been shown to be involved in the direction of heart looping and embryonic turning.

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#### **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: NODAL (human) mapping to 10q22.1; Nodal (mouse) mapping to 10 B4.

## **SOURCE**

Nodal (A-9) is a mouse monoclonal antibody specific for an epitope mapping between amino acids 291-329 near the C-terminus of Nodal of mouse origin.

## **PRODUCT**

Each vial contains 200  $\mu g$   $lgG_1$  lambda light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with <0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Blocking peptide available for competition studies, sc-377508 P,  $(100 \mu g)$  peptide in 0.5 ml PBS containing < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.2% stabilizer protein).

## **STORAGE**

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

## **APPLICATIONS**

Nodal (A-9) is recommended for detection of precursor and mature Nodal of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:100, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2  $\mu$ g per 100-500  $\mu$ g 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).

Nodal (A-9) is also recommended for detection of precursor and mature Nodal in additional species, including equine and canine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for Nodal siRNA (h): sc-45478, Nodal siRNA (m): sc-39795, Nodal shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-45478-SH, Nodal shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-39795-SH, Nodal shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-45478-V and Nodal shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-39795-V.

Molecular Weight of Nodal: 40 kDa.

Positive Controls: HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200 or human Nodal transfected HEK293T whole cell lysate.

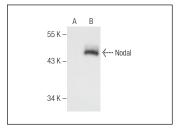
# **RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended:

1) Western Blotting: use m-lgGλ BP-HRP: sc-516132 or m-lgGλ BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516132-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. 2) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml).

3) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgGλ BP-FITC: sc-516185 or m-lgGλ BP-PE: sc-516186 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz® Mounting Medium: sc-24941 or UltraCruz® Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

## DATA



Nodal (A-9): sc-377508. Western blot analysis of Nodal expression in non-transfected (**A**) and human Nodal transfected (**B**) HEK293T whole cell lysates.

#### **RESEARCH USE**

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

## **PROTOCOLS**

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