**BACKGROUND**

Lecithin retinol acyltransferase (LRAT) is a membrane-bound enzyme that catalyzes the transfer of an acyl group from the sn-1 position of lecithin to vitamin A, which generates all-trans-retinylesters (tREs) in the liver, some extrahepatic tissues (such as the lung) and retinal pigmented epithelium. LRAT can also exchange palmitoyl groups between RPE65, a tRE-binding proteinnecessary for vision, and tREs, which is important for the operation of the visual pathway. LRAT is essential for the dietary mobilization, transport and storage of vitamin A, as well as the synthesis of the visual pigment chromophore. LRAT monomers interact in membranes to form homodimers through disulfide bond formation. A loss of LRAT correlates with an early onset severe retinal dystrophy and severe retinyl ester deprivation, while a reduction in LRAT expression may be associated with invasive bladder cancer.

**REFERENCES**


**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-49222 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-49222 X, 200 µg/0.1 ml.

**APPLICATIONS**

LRAT (M-15) is recommended for detection of LRAT of mouse and, to a lesser extent, 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).

LRAT (M-15) is also recommended for detection of LRAT in additional species, including porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for LRAT siRNA (m): sc-60965, LRAT shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-60965-SH and LRAT shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-60965-V.

LRAT (M-15) X TransCruz antibody is recommended for Gel Supershift and ChIP applications.

Molecular Weight of LRAT monomer: 25 kDa.

Molecular Weight of LRAT dimer: 50-65 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.

**STORAGE**

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

**RESEARCH USE**

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

**PROTOCOLS**

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