**AFP (C3): sc-8399**

**BACKGROUND**

α-fetoprotein (AFP) is expressed in fetal liver at varying levels throughout development and is present only in trace amounts in normal adult tissues. AFP can be detected at abnormally high concentrations in hepatocellular carcinomas as well as in the plasma and ascitic fluid of adults with hepatoma. High AFP concentrations have been correlated with tumor cell growth, indicating that AFP can serve as a tumor marker. AFP binds copper, nickel and fatty acids, and in some cases may bind serum albumin or estrogen. It has been demonstrated that the AFP promoter is a target for NF-1 (nuclear factor-1), HNF-1 (hepatocyte nuclear factor-1) and C/EBP transcription factors. While HNF-1 binding to the AFP promoter results in AFP expression, NF-1 binding results in a decrease in AFP promoter activity.

**Source**

AFP (C3) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against amino acids 1-609 representing full length of AFP of human origin.

**PRODUCT**

Each vial contains 200 μg IgG2a kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

AFP (C3) is available conjugated to agarose (sc-8399 AC), 500 μg/0.25 ml agarose, and in some cases may bind serum albumin or estrogen. It has been demonstrated that the AFP promoter is a target for NF-1 (nuclear factor-1), HNF-1 (hepatocyte nuclear factor-1) and C/EBP transcription factors. While HNF-1 binding to the AFP promoter results in AFP expression, NF-1 binding results in a decrease in AFP promoter activity.

**APPLICATIONS**

AFP (C3) is recommended for detection of AFP of mouse, rat and human 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), flow cytometry (1 μg per 1 x 10⁶ cells) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Suitable for use as control antibody for AFP siRNA (h2): sc-270319, AFP siRNA (m): sc-29649, AFP shRNA Plasmid (h2): sc-270319-SH, AFP shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-29649-SH, AFP shRNA (h2) Lentiviral Particles: sc-270319-V and AFP shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29649-V.

Molecular Weight of AFP: 68 kDa.

Positive Controls: AFP (h): 293T Lysate: sc-114125, Hep G2 cell lysate: sc-2227 or HeLa whole cell lysate: sc-2200.

**STORAGE**

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

**DATA**

**SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS**


**RESEARCH USE**

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