

## DESCRIPTION

<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Human
<b>Specificity</b>	Detects human Semaphorin 6A in Western blots. In this format, approximately 50% cross-reactivity with recombinant mouse (rm) Semaphorin 6A is observed and 5% cross-reactivity with rmSemaphorin 3F is observed.
<b>Source</b>	Polyclonal Goat IgG
<b>Purification</b>	Antigen Affinity-purified
<b>Immunogen</b>	Mouse myeloma cell line NS0-derived recombinant human Semaphorin 6A Gly19-Thr649 Accession # Q9H2E6
<b>Formulation</b>	Lyophilized from a 0.2 µm filtered solution in PBS with BSA as a carrier protein. See Certificate of Analysis for details.

## APPLICATIONS

**Please Note:** Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. *General Protocols* are available in the *Technical Information* section on our website.

	Recommended Concentration	Sample
<b>Western Blot</b>	0.1 µg/mL	Recombinant Human Semaphorin 6A Fc Chimera (Catalog # 1146-S6)

## PREPARATION AND STORAGE

<b>Reconstitution</b>	Reconstitute at 0.2 mg/mL in sterile PBS.
<b>Shipping</b>	The product is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.
<b>Stability &amp; Storage</b>	<p><b>Use a manual defrost freezer and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 12 months from date of receipt, -20 to -70 °C as supplied.</li> <li>• 1 month, 2 to 8 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> <li>• 6 months, -20 to -70 °C under sterile conditions after reconstitution.</li> </ul>

## BACKGROUND

The semaphorins constitute a large family of secreted, glycosylphosphatidylinositol (GPI)-anchored and transmembrane cell signaling molecules. Depending on their domain organization and species origin, these proteins can be classified into eight groups. To date, at least 19 vertebrate Semaphorins belonging to five groups (class 3 to 7), have been identified. All Semaphorins contain a conserved 500 amino acid (aa) Sema domain at the amino-terminus. Semaphorins are best known for their roles in axon guidance during neuronal development. They are also expressed in non-neuronal tissues and are involved in angiogenesis, hematopoiesis, organogenesis, and the regulation of immune functions (1, 2). Class 6 Semaphorins (Sema 6) are transmembrane proteins that share homology with the axon-guiding insect Sema 1A. Human Sema 6A (Vla) cDNA predicts a 1,030 aa protein comprised of an extracellular domain, a transmembrane domain, and a long cytoplasmic tail (3, 4). A secreted form of Sema 6A can repel sympathetic and dorsal root ganglion axons *in vitro*, indicating a traditional role as an axon guidance signal (5). There is evidence, however, that Sema 6A also functions as a guidance receptor. Sema 6A mutants show a defect in thalamocortical neuron projection that is cell autonomous, and the cytoplasmic tails for Sema 6 contain binding sites for intracellular regulatory molecules such as Evi and Src (6).

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