

**\*\*REPRESENTATIVE DATASHEET\*\*****Sheep anti-Factor XIII Subunit A (FXIII-A)**

Affinity-Purified IgG

0.5 mg

**Product #:** SAF13A-AP**Lot #:** XXXX**Expiry date:** XXXX

Store at -10 to -20°C

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**Description of Factor XIII (FXIII)**

Factor XIII (FXIII, fibrin stabilizing factor) is the proenzyme form of a transamidase that is essential for normal haemostasis and fibrinolysis, wound healing, female fertility and foetal development. Extracellular FXIII consists of A subunits (83 kDa each) which contain the enzyme moiety, and B subunits (76 kDa each) which act as a carrier protein for the A subunit in circulation. Both subunits are produced under separate genetic control. In plasma, FXIII exists as a non-covalent tetrameric complex (320 kDa) of two A-subunits and two B-subunits (A<sub>2</sub>B<sub>2</sub>). The concentration of FXIII tetramer in plasma is ~25 µg/ml (~80 nM). An intracellular form of FXIII is found in platelets, megakaryocytes and monocytes. This form of FXIII presents as a dimer of two A-subunits only and has a molecular weight of 160 kDa. The importance of these intracellular stores is demonstrated by the observation that platelets can contribute up to half of the FXIII activity in platelet rich plasma. The activation of FXIII involves several steps. Thrombin cleaves after Arg<sup>37</sup> of each A-subunit in the A<sub>2</sub>B<sub>2</sub> tetramer, releasing a 4.5 kDa activation peptide. Additional conformational changes induced by the binding of calcium, and by dissociation of the B-subunits from the A-subunit dimer are required to obtain full enzyme activity. FXIIIa is a cysteine protease that catalyses the formation of γ-glutamyl-ε-lysyl bonds between the γ and α chains of polymerised fibrin molecules. Other proteins found crosslinked into fibrin clots by FXIIIa include fibrinogen, α<sub>2</sub>antiplasmin, fibronectin, vitronectin and von Willebrand factor<sup>1-3</sup>.

**REFERENCES and REVIEWS**

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2. Inbal A, Muszbek L; Coagulation Factor Deficiencies and Pregnancy Loss; Seminars in Thrombosis and Haemostasis 29, pp 171-174, 2003.
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**Product Specifications****Description:**

Vial containing XXXX ml of IgG purified by affinity-chromatography on immobilized Factor XIII A subunit. Total protein is 0.5 mg.

**Format:**

Affinity-purified IgG (APIgG), clear liquid.

**Host Animal:**

Sheep

**Immunogen:**Human Factor XIII Subunit A (A<sub>2</sub>) purified from plasma.**Concentration:**APIgG concentration is XXXX mg/ml, determined by absorbance using an extinction coefficient (E<sup>1%<sub>280</sub></sup>) of 13.4.**Buffer:**

10 mM HEPES, pH 7.4, 150 mM NaCl, 50% (v/v) glycerol.

**Storage:**

Store between -10 and -20°C. Product will become viscous but will not freeze. Avoid storage in frost-free freezers. Keep vial tightly capped. Allow product to warm to room temperature and gently mix before use.

**Specificity:**

This antibody is specific for Factor XIII subunit A as demonstrated by immunoelectrophoresis and ELISA.

**Applications:**

Suitable as a source of enriched antibodies to FXIII subunit A.

**Neutralizing activity:**

Not determined.

**Species Cross Reactivity:**

Not determined.

**Related Products:**

- Cat #: **SAF13A-IG** Sheep anti-FXIII-subunit A, whole IgG from antiserum  
Cat #: **SAF13A-HRP** Sheep anti-FXIII-subunit A, peroxidase labelled IgG  
Cat #: **SAFXIII-IG** Sheep anti-human Factor XIII, whole IgG from antiserum  
Cat #: **SAFXIII-HRP** Sheep anti-human Factor XIII, peroxidase labelled IgG  
Cat #: **FXIII-EIA** Paired antibody set for ELISA of FXIII, 5 x 96 wells  
Cat #: **FXIII-DP** Human plasma deficient in FXIII, immune depleted  
Cat #: **FXIII-LDP** Lyophilized human plasma deficient in FXIII, immune depleted

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