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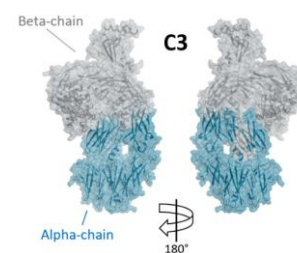
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## Complement component C3

**Catalog no.:** Q122c  
**Clone name:** IDC3b-1\_H4

**Product:** Single-domain antibody directed against complement protein C3  
**Target:** The complement system plays a crucial role in immune defense. It is activated via three pathways: the classical pathway (CP), the lectin pathway (LP), and the alternative pathway (AP), resulting in opsonisation, chemoattraction of immune cells and target cell lysis.<sup>1,2</sup> Complement component C3, a 185 kDa protein consisting of two disulfide linked chains, is a blood circulating protein with a central role in the complement system.<sup>1,2</sup> During all three activation pathways C3 is cleaved by C3 convertases into C3a (9 kDa) and C3b (176 kDa). C3a acts as a chemoattractant and C3b is deposited onto pathogenic surfaces (opsonization), resulting in formation of subsequent convertase complexes and recognition by immune cells.<sup>2,3</sup>



$\alpha$  (blue) and  $\beta$  (grey) chains of complement protein C3. PDB 2A73.<sup>5</sup>

**Source:** Recombinant monoclonal single-domain antibody (Lama glama), purified from *S. cerevisiae* using affinity chromatography. Immunization with and phage-display selection on recombinant protein using total elution.<sup>4</sup>

**Specificity:** Human C3, human C3b.

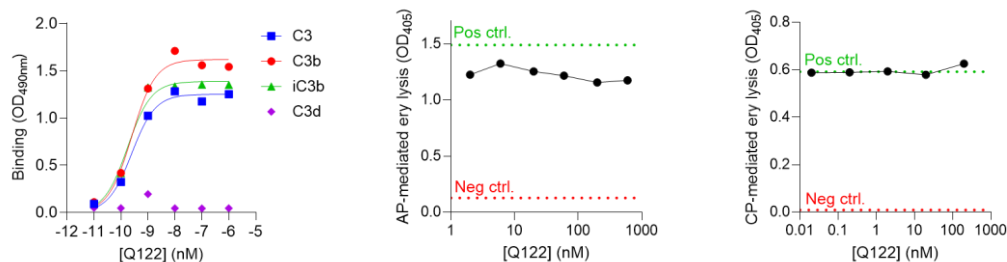
**Formulation:** 0.2  $\mu$ m filtered solution in PBS. The products are equipped with a C-terminal C-Direct tag with an unpaired cysteine for directional conjugation.

**Mol. Weight:** 15.2 kDa  
**Ext. Coeff. ( $\epsilon$ ):** 31525 M<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>  
**A<sub>280</sub> at 1g/L:** 2.1

**Storage:** Shipped on blue ice. Store at 4°C or -20°C (aliquots). Addition of 0.02% sodium azide is optional.

**Applications:** ELISA

**Examples:**



Left: Binding of Q122c to recombinant C3, C3b, iC3b and C3d in ELISA. Middle: AP-mediated hemolysis of rabbit Erythrocytes in 10% human serum shows that addition of Q122 does not block AP activation. Right: CP-mediated hemolysis of antibody opsonized sheep erythrocytes in 2.5% human serum and sdAB shows that Q122 does not block CP activation.

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