SCLEROSTIN BINDING AGENTS

TECHNICAL FIELD

The present invention relates generally to epitopes of sclerostin protein, including human sclerostin protein, and binding agents (such as antibodies) capable of binding to sclerostin or fragments thereof.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Two or three distinct phases of changes to bone mass occur over the life of an individual (*see* Riggs, *West J. Med.* 154:63-77 (1991)). The first phase occurs in both men and women and proceeds to attainment of a peak bone mass. This first phase is achieved through linear growth of the endochondral growth plates and radial growth due to a rate of periosteal apposition. The second phase begins around age 30 for trabecular bone (flat bones such as the vertebrae and pelvis) and about age 40 for cortical bone (*e.g.*, long bones found in the limbs) and continues to old age. This phase is characterized by slow bone loss and occurs in both men and women. In women, a third phase of bone loss also occurs, most likely due to postmenopausal estrogen deficiencies. During this phase alone, women may lose an additional bone mass from the cortical bone and from the trabecular compartment (*see* Riggs, *supra*).

Loss of bone mineral content can be caused by a wide variety of conditions and may result in significant medical problems. For example, osteoporosis is a debilitating disease in humans and is characterized by marked decreases in skeletal bone mass and mineral density, structural deterioration of bone, including degradation of bone microarchitecture and corresponding increases in bone fragility (*i.e.*, decreases in bone strength), and susceptibility to fracture in afflicted individuals. Osteoporosis in humans is generally preceded by clinical osteopenia (bone mineral density that is greater than one standard deviation but less than 2.5 standard deviations below the mean value for young adult bone), a condition found in approximately 25 million people in the United States. Another 7-8 million patients in the United States have been diagnosed with clinical osteoporosis (defined as bone mineral content greater than 2.5 standard deviations below that of mature young adult bone). The frequency of osteoporosis in the human population increases with age. Among Caucasians, osteoporosis is predominant in women who, in the United States, comprise 80% of the osteoporosis patient pool. The increased fragility and susceptibility to fracture of skeletal bone in the aged is aggravated by the greater risk of accidental falls in this population. Fractured hips, wrists, and vertebrae are among the most common injuries associated with osteoporosis. Hip fractures in

particular are extremely uncomfortable and expensive for the patient, and for women, correlate with high rates of mortality and morbidity.

Although osteoporosis has been regarded as an increase in the risk of fracture due to decreased bone mass, few of the presently available treatments for skeletal disorders can increase the bone density of adults, and most of the presently available treatments work primarily by inhibiting further bone resorption rather than stimulating new bone formation. Estrogen is now being prescribed to retard bone loss. However, some controversy exists over whether patients gain any long-term benefit and whether estrogen has any effect on patients over 75 years old. Moreover, use of estrogen is believed to increase the risk of breast and endometrial cancer. Calcitonin, osteocalcin with vitamin K, or high doses of dietary calcium, with or without vitamin D, have also been suggested for postmenopausal women. High doses of calcium, however, often have undesired gastrointestinal side effects, and serum and urinary calcium levels must be continuously monitored (*e.g.*, Khosla and Riggs, *Mayo Clin. Proc.* 70:978982, 1995).

Other current therapeutic approaches to osteoporosis include bisphosphonates (*e.g.*, Fosamax™, Actonel™, Bonviva™, Zometa™, olpadronate, neridronate, skelid, bonefos), parathyroid hormone, calcilytics, calcimimetics (*e.g.*, cinacalcet), statins, anabolic steroids, lanthanum and strontium salts, and sodium fluoride. Such therapeutics, however, are often associated with undesirable side effects (*see* Khosla and Riggs, *supra*).

Sclerostin, the product of the SOST gene, is absent in sclerosteosis, a skeletal disease characterized by bone overgrowth and strong dense bones (Brunkow *et al.*, Am. J. Hum. Genet., 68:577-589, 2001; Balemans *et al.*, Hum. Mol. Genet., 10:537-543, 2001). The amino acid sequence of human sclerostin is reported by Brunkow *et al. ibid* and is disclosed herein as SEQ ID NO:1.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Disclosed herein are compositions and methods that can be used to increase at least one of bone formation, bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength, and that therefore may be used to treat a wide variety of conditions in which an increase in at least one of bone formation, bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength is desirable. The present invention also offers other related advantages described herein.

The invention relates to regions (epitopes) of human sclerostin recognized by the binding agents disclosed herein, methods of using these epitopes, and methods of making such epitopes.

The invention also relates to epitopes specific to the region of sclerostin identified as Loop 2, and binding agents which specifically bind to that region.

The invention also relates to epitopes specific to the cystine-knot region of sclerostin, and binding agents such as antibodies specifically binding to that region.

The invention relates to binding agents, such as antibodies, that specifically bind to sclerostin. The binding agents can be characterized by their ability to cross-block the binding of at least one antibody disclosed herein to sclerostin and/or to be cross-blocked from binding sclerostin by at least one antibody disclosed herein. The antibodies and other binding agents can also be characterized by their binding pattern to human sclerostin peptides in a "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay" as disclosed herein.

The invention relates to binding agents, such as antibodies, that can increase at least one of bone formation, bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength in a mammal.

The invention relates to binding agents, such as antibodies, that can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay.

The invention further relates to polypeptide constructs comprising two, three, or four polypeptide fragments linked by at least one disulfide bond, representing a core region of the cystine-knot of sclerostin, and antibodies capable of specifically binding thereto.

The invention relates to methods of obtaining epitopes suitable for use as immunogens for generating, in mammals, binding agents, such as antibodies capable of binding specifically to sclerostin; in certain embodiments the binding agents generated are capable of neutralizing sclerostin activity *in vivo*.

The invention relates to a composition for eliciting an antibody specific for sclerostin when the composition is administered to an animal, the composition comprising a polypeptide having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:63, SEQ ID NO:64, SEQ ID NO:65, SEQ ID NO:66, SEQ ID NO:67, SEQ ID NO:68, or SEQ ID NO:69.

The invention also relates to a composition for eliciting an antibody specific for sclerostin when the composition is administered to an animal, the composition comprising at least one polypeptide consisting essentially of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4 or SEQ ID NO:5; the composition may comprise at least two or at least three of the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4 and SEQ ID

NO:5, and the composition may comprise all four of the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4 and SEQ ID NO:5.

The invention further relates to a composition for eliciting an antibody specific for sclerostin when the composition is administered to an animal, the composition comprising a polypeptide having the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4 and SEQ ID NO:5, wherein SEQ ID NO:2 and 4 are joined by a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 57 and 111 with reference to SEQ ID NO:1, and SEQ ID NO:3 and 5 are joined by at least one of (a) a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 82 and 142 with reference to SEQ ID NO:1, and (b) a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 86 and 144 with reference to SEQ ID NO:1; the polypeptide may retain the tertiary structure of the corresponding polypeptide region of human sclerostin of SEQ ID NO:1.

The invention also relates to polypeptide T20.6 consisting essentially of a multiply truncated human sclerostin protein of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein amino acids 1-50, 65-72, 91-100, 118-137, and 150-190 of SEQ ID NO:1 are absent from the polypeptide; this polypeptide may be obtained by tryptic digestion of human sclerostin, and the protein may be isolated by HPLC fractionation.

The invention further relates to immunogenic portion T20.6 of human sclerostin comprising amino acids 51-64, 73-90, 101-117, and 138-149 of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein the immunogenic portion comprises at least one of:

(a) a disulfide bond between amino acids 57 and 111;

(b) a disulfide bond between amino acids 82 and 142; and

(c) a disulfide bond between amino acids 86 and 144;

the immunogenic portion may have at least two of these disulfide bonds; and the immunogenic portion may have all three disulfide bonds.

The invention further relates to an immunogenic portion T20.6 derivative of human sclerostin comprising amino acids 57-64, 73-86, 111-117, and 138-144 of SEQ ID NO:1, wherein the immunogenic portion comprises at least one of:

(a) a disulfide bond between amino acids 57 and 111;

(b) a disulfide bond between amino acids 82 and 142; and

(c) a disulfide bond between amino acids 86 and 144;

the immunogenic portion may have at least two of these disulfide bonds; and the immunogenic portion may have all three disulfide bonds.

The invention yet further relates to a polypeptide consisting essentially of a human sclerostin protein of SEQ ID NO:1 truncated at the C-terminal and N-terminal ends, wherein amino acids 1-85 and 112-190 of SEQ ID NO:1 are absent from the polypeptide.

The invention also relates to an immunogenic portion of human sclerostin, comprising amino acids 86-111 of SEQ ID NO:1; the immunogenic portion may consist essentially of contiguous amino acids CGPARLLPNAIGRGKWWRPSGPDFRC (SEQ ID NO:6).

The invention further relates to an immunogenic portion of rat sclerostin, comprising amino acids 92-109 of SEQ ID NO:98; the immunogenic portion may consist essentially of contiguous amino acids PNAIGRVKWWRPNGPDFR (SEQ ID NO:96).

The invention still further relates to an immunogenic portion of rat sclerostin, comprising amino acids 99-120 of SEQ ID NO:98; the immunogenic portion may consist essentially of contiguous amino acids KWWRPNGPDFRCIPDRYRAQRV (SEQ ID NO:97).

The invention relates to a method of producing an immunogenic portion of human sclerostin, comprising the steps of:

(a) treating human sclerostin to achieve complete tryptic digestion;

(b) collecting the tryptic digest sample having average molecular weight of 7,122.0 Daltons (theoretical mass 7121.5 Daltons) or retention time of about 20.6 minutes as determined by elution from a reverse-phase HPLC column with linear gradient from 0.05% trifluoroacetic acid to 90% acetonitrile in 0.05% TFA at a flow rate of 0.2ml/min; and

(c) purifying the immunogenic portion.

The invention relates to a method of generating an antibody capable of specifically binding to sclerostin, comprising:

(a) immunizing an animal with a composition comprising a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:63, SEQ ID NO:64, SEQ ID NO:65, SEQ ID NO:66, SEQ ID NO:67, SEQ ID NO:68, SEQ ID NO:69, SEQ ID NO:96, or SEQ ID NO:97;

(b) collecting sera from the animal; and

(c) isolating from the sera an antibody capable of specifically binding to sclerostin.

The invention also relates to a method of generating an antibody capable of specifically binding to sclerostin, the method comprising:

(a) immunizing an animal with a composition comprising polypeptide T20.6 or a derivative of T20.6;

(b) collecting sera from the animal; and

(c) isolating from the sera an antibody capable of specifically binding to sclerostin.

The invention further relates to a method of detecting an anti-sclerostin antibody in a biological sample, comprising the steps of

(a) contacting the biological sample with a polypeptide consisting essentially of SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:63, SEQ ID NO:64, SEQ ID NO:65, SEQ ID NO:66, SEQ ID NO:67, SEQ ID NO:68, SEQ ID NO:69, SEQ ID NO:96, or SEQ ID NO:97 under conditions allowing a complex to form between the antibody and the polypeptide; and

(b) detecting the presence or absence of the complex,

wherein the presence of the complex indicates that the biological sample contains an anti-sclerostin antibody.

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(a) contacting the biological sample with polypeptide T20.6 or a derivative of T20.6 under conditions allowing a complex to form between the antibody and the polypeptide; and

(b) detecting the presence or absence of the complex,

wherein the presence of the complex indicates that the biological sample contains an anti-sclerostin antibody.

The invention further relates to a sclerostin binding agent, such as an antibody, that cross-blocks the binding of at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, or Ab-D to a sclerostin protein. The sclerostin binding agent may also be cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, or Ab-D. The isolated antibody, or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, may be a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a humanized antibody, a human antibody, a chimeric antibody or the like.

The invention further relates to a sclerostin binding agent, such as an antibody, that is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, or Ab-D. The isolated antibody, or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, may be a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a humanized antibody, a human antibody, a chimeric antibody or the like.

The invention further relates to a sclerostin binding agent, such as an isolated antibody, that cross-blocks the binding of at least one of antibodies 1-24 (Ab-1 to Ab-24) to a sclerostin protein. The sclerostin binding agent may also be cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies 1-24 (Ab-1 to Ab-24). The isolated antibody, or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, may be a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a humanized antibody, a human antibody, or a chimeric antibody.

The invention further relates to a sclerostin binding agent, such as an isolated antibody, that is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies 1-24 (Ab-1 to Ab-24); the isolated antibody, or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, may be a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a humanized antibody, a human antibody, or a chimeric antibody.

The invention further relates to a binding agent, such as an isolated antibody that exhibits a similar binding pattern to human sclerostin peptides in a "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay" as that exhibited by at least one of the antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C or Ab-D; the isolated antibody, or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, may be a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a humanized antibody, a human antibody, or a chimeric antibody.

The invention still further relates to a method for treating a bone disorder associated with at least one of low bone formation, low bone mineral density, low bone mineral content, low bone mass, low bone quality and low bone strength in a mammalian subject which comprises providing to a subject in need of such treatment an amount of an anti-sclerostin binding agent sufficient to increase at least one of bone formation, bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength wherein the anti-sclerostin binding agent comprises an antibody, or sclerostin-binding fragment thereof.

The invention also relates to an isolated sclerostin polypeptide or fragments thereof, wherein the polypeptide contains 6 conserved cysteine residues and the fragments thereof comprise from 7 to 14 amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2; 8 to 17 amino acids of SEQ ID NO:3; 8 to 18 residues of SEQ ID NO:4; and 6 to 12 residues of SEQ ID NO:5, and the polypeptide or fragments thereof are stabilized by disulfide bonds between SEQ ID NO:2 and 4, and between SEQ ID NO:3 and 5; the polypeptide or fragments may comprise 10-14 amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2; 14 to 17 amino acids of SEQ ID NO:3; 13 to 18 amino acids of SEQ ID NO:4;, and 8 to 12 residues of SEQ ID NO:5; and the polypeptide or fragments may comprise SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:4, and SEQ ID NO:5.

Provided herein are antibodies that specifically bind to human sclerostin. The

antibodies are characterized by their ability to cross-block the binding of at least one antibody disclosed herein to human sclerostin and/or to be cross-blocked from binding human sclerostin by at least one antibody disclosed herein.

Also provided is an isolated antibody, or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, that can increase at least one of bone formation, bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength in a mammal.

Also provided in an isolated antibody, or an antigen-binding fragment thereof, that can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay.

Also provided is a binding agent, such as an antibody, that specifically binds to human sclerostin and has at least one CDR sequence selected from SEQ ID NOs: 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 78, 79, 80, 81, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 351, 352, 353, 358, 359, and 360, and variants thereof, wherein the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof neutralizes sclerostin.

Also provided is a binding agent, such as an antibody, that specifically binds to human sclerostin and has at least one CDR sequence selected from SEQ ID NOs:39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 78, 79, 80, 81, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 351, 352, 353, 358, 359, and 360, and variants thereof.

Also provided are regions of human sclerostin which are important for the *in vivo* activity of the protein.

These and other aspects of the present invention will become apparent upon reference to the following detailed description and attached drawings. All references disclosed herein are hereby incorporated by reference in their entireties as if each was incorporated individually.

Preferred embodiments of the invention include the following:

1. A sclerostin binding agent that cross-blocks the binding of at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24 to sclerostin.

2. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 1 wherein said sclerostin binding agent is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24.

3. A sclerostin binding agent that is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24.

4. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 1 or 3 wherein the ability of said sclerostin binding agent to cross-block or to be cross-blocked is detected in a Biacore assay.

5. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 1 or 3 wherein the ability of said sclerostin binding agent to cross-block or to be cross-blocked is detected in an ELISA assay.

6. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 1 or 3 wherein said sclerostin binding agent is an antibody.

7. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 1 or 3 wherein said sclerostin binding agent can increase at least one of bone formation, bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength in a mammal.

8. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 1 or 3 wherein said sclerostin binding agent can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay.

9. A sclerostin binding agent wherein said sclerostin binding agent can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay.

10. A sclerostin binding agent that binds to a Loop 2 epitope.

11. A sclerostin binding agent that binds to a T20.6 epitope.

12. A sclerostin binding agent that binds to a "T20.6 derivative 1 (cystine-knot + 4 arms)" epitope.

13. The sclerostin binding agent of any one of claims 7-12 wherein said sclerostin binding agent is an antibody.

14. A sclerostin binding agent that comprises at least one CDR sequence having at least 75% identity to a CDR selected from SEQ ID NOs:39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 78, 79, 80, 81, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 351, 352, 353, 358, 359, and 360.

15. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 14 comprising at least two of said CDR's.

16. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 14 comprising six of said CDR's.

17. The sclerostin binding agent according to claim 14 wherein said percent identity is 85%.

18. The sclerostin binding agent according to claim 14 wherein said percent identity is 95% .

19. The sclerostin binding agent according to claim 14 comprising:

a) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:39, 40, and 41;
b) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:42, 43, and 44;
c) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:45, 46, and 47;
d) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:48, 49, and 50;
e) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:51, 52, and 53;
f) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:54, 55, and 56;
g) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:57, 58, and 59;
h) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:60, 61, and 62;
i) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:275, 276, and 277;
j) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:287, 288, and 289;
k) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:278, 279, and 280;
l) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:290, 291, and 292;
m) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:78, 79, and 80;
n) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:245, 246, and 247;
o) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:81, 99, and 100;
p) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:248, 249, and 250
q) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:101, 102, and 103;
r) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:251, 252, and 253;

s) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:104, 105, and 106

t) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:254, 255, and 256;

u) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:107, 108, and 109

v) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:257, 258, and 259

w) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:110, 111, and 112;

x) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:260, 261, and 262;

y) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:281, 282, and 283;

z) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:293, 294, and 295;

aa) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:113, 114, and 115;

bb) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:263, 264, and 265;

cc) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:284, 285, and 286;

dd) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:296, 297, and 298;

ee) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:116, 237, and 238;

ff) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:266, 267, and 268;

gg) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:239, 240, and 241;

hh) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:269, 270, and 271;

ii) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:272, 273, and 274;

jj) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:242, 243, and 244;

kk) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:351, 352, and 353; or

ll) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:358, 359, and 360.

20. The sclerostin binding agent according to claim 14 comprising:

a) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:54, 55, and 56 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:51, 52, and 53;

b) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:60, 61, and 62 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:57, 58, and 59;

c) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:48, 49, and 50and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:45, 46, and 47;

d) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:42, 43, and 44 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:39, 40, and 41;

e) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:275, 276, and 277 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:287, 288, and 289;

f) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:278, 279, and 280 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:290, 291, and 292;

g) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:78, 79, and 80 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 245, 246, and 247;

h) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:81, 99, and 100 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:248, 249, and 250;

i) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:101, 102, and 103 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:251, 252, and 253;

j) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:104, 105, and 106 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:254, 255, and 256;

k) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:107, 108, and 109 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:257, 258, and 259;

l) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:110, 111, and 112 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:260, 261, and 262;

m) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:281, 282, and 283 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:293, 294, and 295;

n) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:113, 114, and 115 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:263, 264, and 265;

o) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:284, 285, and 286 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:296, 297, and 298;

p) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:116, 237, and 238 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:266, 267, and 268;

q) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:239, 240, and 241 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:269, 270, and 271;

r) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:242, 243, and 244 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:272, 273, and 274; or

s) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:351, 352, and 353 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:358, 359, and 360.

21. The sclerostin binding agent of any one of claims 14-20 wherein said sclerostin binding agent is an antibody.

22. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a sclerostin binding agent according to any one of claims 1-12 and 14-20.

23. The composition of claim 22 wherein said sclerostin binding agent is an antibody.

24. A sclerostin binding agent comprising at least one CDR sequence having at least 75% identity to a CDR selected from SEQ ID NOs:245, 246, 247, 78, 79, 80, 269, 270,

271, 239, 240 and 241.

25. A sclerostin binding agent comprising at least one CDR sequence having at least 75% identity to a CDR selected from CDR-H1, CDR-H2, CDR-H3, CDR-L1, CDR-L2 and CDR-L3 wherein CDR-H1 has the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:245 or SEQ ID NO:269, CDR-H2 has the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:246 or SEQ ID NO:270, CDR-H3 has the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:247 or SEQ ID NO:271, CDR-L1 has the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:78 or SEQ ID NO:239, CDR-L2 has the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:79 or SEQ ID NO:240 and CDR-L3 has the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:80 or SEQ ID NO 241.

26. A sclerostin binding agent according to claim 25 comprising three CDRs, CDR-H1, CDR-H2 and CDR-H3 wherein

(a) CDR-H1 is SEQ ID NO:245, CDR-H2 is SEQ ID NO:246 and CDR-H3 is SEQ ID NO:247 or

(b) CDR-H1 is SEQ ID NO:269, CDR-H2 is SEQ ID NO:270 and CDR-H3 is SEQ ID NO:271.

27. A sclerostin binding agent according to claim 25 comprising three CDRs, CDR-L1, CDR-L2 and CDR-L3 wherein

(a) CDRL1 is SEQ ID NO:78, CDR-L2 is SEQ ID NO:79 and CDR-L3 is SEQ ID NO:80; or

(b) CDRL1 is SEQ ID NO:239, CDR-L2 is SEQ ID NO:240 and CDR-L3 is SEQ ID NO:241.

28. A sclerostin binding agent according to claim 25 comprising six CDRs, CDRH-1, CDR-H2, CDR-H3, CDR-L1 CDR-L2 and CDR-L3 wherein

(a) CDR-H1 is SEQ ID NO:245, CDR-H2 is SEQ ID NO:246, CDR-H3 is SEQ ID NO:247, CDR-L1 is SEQ ID NO:78, CDR-L2 is SEQ ID NO:79 and CDR-L3 is SEQ ID NO:80; or

(b) CDR-H1 is SEQ ID NO:269, CDR-H2 is SEQ ID NO:270, CDR-H3 is SEQ ID NO:271, CDR-L1 is SEQ ID NO:239, CDR-L2 is SEQ ID NO:240 and CDR-L3 is SEQ ID NO:241.

29. The sclerostin binding agent of any one of claims 24-28 which is an antibody.

30. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 29 comprising a heavy chain wherein said heavy chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:333; SEQ ID NO:378; SEQ ID NO:327; SEQ ID NO:329; or SEQ ID NO:366.

31. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 29 comprising a light chain wherein said light chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:332; SEQ ID NO:376; SEQ ID NO:314; SEQ ID NO:328; or SEQ ID NO:364.

32. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 29 comprising both a heavy chain and a light chain wherein

(a) the heavy chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:333 and the light chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:332; or

(b) the heavy chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:378 and the light chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:376; or

(c) the heavy chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:327 and the light chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:314; or

(d) the heavy chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:329 and the light chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:328; or

(e) the heavy chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:366 and the light chain comprises a polypeptide having at least 85% identity to the sequence given in SEQ ID NO:364.

33. The sclerostin binding agent of any one of claims 24-32 which comprises a light chain and/or heavy chain constant region.

34. The sclerostin binding agent of claim 33 which comprises the IgG4 or the IgG2 constant region.

35. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising CDR's H1, H2 and H3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:137 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:245, 246 and 247, respectively, and a light chain comprising CDR's L1, L2 and L3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:133 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:78, 79 and 80, respectively.

36. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising CDR's H1, H2 and H3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:145 or 392 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:245, 246 and 247, respectively, and a light chain comprising CDR's L1, L2 and L3 and comprising a

polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:141 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:78, 79 and 80, respectively.

37. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising CDR's H1, H2 and H3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:335 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:269, 270 and 271, respectively, and a light chain comprising CDR's L1, L2 and L3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:334 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:239, 240 and 241, respectively.

38. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising CDR's H1, H2 and H3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:331 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:269, 270 and 271, respectively, and a light chain comprising CDR's L1, L2 and L3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:330 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:239, 240 and 241, respectively.

39. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising CDR's H1, H2 and H3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:345 or 396 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:269, 270 and 271, respectively, and a light chain comprising CDR's L1, L2 and L3 and comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:341 or a variant thereof in which said CDR's are at least 75% identical to SEQ ID NO:239, 240 and 241, respectively.

40. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:137, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:133.

41. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:145 or 392, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 141.

42. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:335, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:334.

43. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:331, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:330.

44. A sclerostin binding agent having a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:345 or 396, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO:341.

45. A sclerostin binding agent according to any one of claims 24-44 to which one or more effector or reporter molecule(s) is attached.

46. An isolated polynucleotide sequence encoding the sclerostin binding agent according to any one of claims 24-44.

47. A cloning or expression vector comprising one or more polynucleotide sequences according to claim 46.

48. A vector according to claim 47, wherein the vector comprises at least one sequence given in SEQ ID NO:134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 308, 310, 312, 342, 344, 346, 348, 349, 365, 367, 373, 375, and 379.

49. A host cell comprising one or more cloning or expression vectors according to claim 47 or claim 48.

50. A process for the production of the sclerostin binding agent of any one of claims 24-44, comprising culturing the host cell of claim 49 and isolating the sclerostin binding agent.

51. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a sclerostin binding agent according to any one of claims 24-45 in combination with one or more of a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, diluent or carrier.

52. A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 51, additionally comprising other active ingredients.

53. A sclerostin binding agent according to any one of claims 24-45 or a pharmaceutical composition according to claim 51 or claim 52, for use in the treatment or prophylaxis of a pathological disorder that is mediated by sclerostin or that is associated with an increased level of sclerostin.

54. A method for treating a bone-related disorder in a mammalian subject which comprises providing to a subject in need of such treatment a pharmaceutical composition of claim 22.

55. A method for treating a bone-related disorder in a mammalian subject which comprises providing to a subject in need of such treatment a pharmaceutical composition of claim 23.

56. A method for treating a bone-related disorder in a mammalian subject which comprises providing to a subject in need of such treatment a pharmaceutical composition of claim 51.

57. The method according to claim 54, wherein the bone-related disorder is at least one of achondroplasia, cleidocranial dysostosis, enchondromatosis, fibrous dysplasia, Gaucher's Disease, hypophosphatemic rickets, Marfan's syndrome, multiple hereditary exotoses, neurofibromatosis, osteogenesis imperfecta, osteopetrosis, osteopoikilosis, sclerotic lesions, pseudoarthrosis, pyogenic osteomyelitis, periodontal disease, anti-epileptic drug induced bone loss, primary and secondary hyperparathyroidism, familial hyperparathyroidism syndromes, weightlessness induced bone loss, osteoporosis in men, postmenopausal bone loss, osteoarthritis, renal osteodystrophy, infiltrative disorders of bone, oral bone loss, osteonecrosis of the jaw, juvenile Paget's disease, melorheostosis, metabolic bone diseases, mastocytosis, sickle cell anemia/disease, organ transplant related bone loss, kidney transplant related bone loss, systemic lupus erythematosus, ankylosing spondylitis, epilepsy, juvenile arthritides, thalassemia, mucopolysaccharidoses, Fabry Disease, Turner Syndrome, Down Syndrome, Klinefelter Syndrome, leprosy, Perthes' Disease, adolescent idiopathic scoliosis, infantile onset multi-system inflammatory disease, Winchester Syndrome, Menkes Disease, Wilson's Disease, ischemic bone disease (such as Legg-Calve-Perthes disease, regional migratory osteoporosis), anemic states, conditions caused by steroids, glucocorticoid-induced bone loss, heparin-induced bone loss, bone marrow disorders, scurvy, malnutrition, calcium deficiency, osteoporosis, osteopenia, alcoholism, chronic liver disease, postmenopausal state, chronic inflammatory conditions, rheumatoid arthritis, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, inflammatory colitis, Crohn's disease, oligomenorrhea, amenorrhea, pregnancy, diabetes mellitus, hyperthyroidism, thyroid disorders, parathyroid disorders, Cushing's disease, acromegaly, hypogonadism, immobilization or disuse, reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, regional osteoporosis, osteomalacia, bone loss associated with joint replacement, HIV associated bone loss, bone loss associated with loss of growth hormone, bone loss associated with cystic fibrosis, chemotherapy associated bone loss, tumor induced bone loss, cancer-related bone loss, hormone ablative bone loss, multiple myeloma, drug-induced bone loss, anorexia nervosa, disease associated facial bone loss, disease associated cranial bone loss, disease associated bone loss of the jaw, disease associated bone loss of the skull, bone loss associated with aging, facial bone loss associated with aging, cranial bone loss associated with aging, jaw bone loss associated with aging, and skull bone loss associated with aging and bone loss associated with space travel.

58. The method according to claim 55, wherein the bone-related disorder is at least one of achondroplasia, cleidocranial dysostosis, enchondromatosis, fibrous dysplasia, Gaucher's Disease, hypophosphatemic rickets, Marfan's syndrome, multiple hereditary exotoses, neurofibromatosis, osteogenesis imperfecta, osteopetrosis, osteopoikilosis, sclerotic lesions, pseudoarthrosis, pyogenic osteomyelitis, periodontal disease, anti-epileptic drug induced bone loss, primary and secondary hyperparathyroidism, familial hyperparathyroidism syndromes, weightlessness induced bone loss, osteoporosis in men, postmenopausal bone loss, osteoarthritis, renal osteodystrophy, infiltrative disorders of bone, oral bone loss, osteonecrosis of the jaw, juvenile Paget's disease, melorheostosis, metabolic bone diseases, mastocytosis, sickle cell anemia/disease, organ transplant related bone loss, kidney transplant related bone loss, systemic lupus erythematosus, ankylosing spondylitis, epilepsy, juvenile arthritides, thalassemia, mucopolysaccharidoses, Fabry Disease, Turner Syndrome, Down Syndrome, Klinefelter Syndrome, leprosy, Perthes' Disease, adolescent idiopathic scoliosis, infantile onset multi-system inflammatory disease, Winchester Syndrome, Menkes Disease, Wilson's Disease, ischemic bone disease (such as Legg-Calve-Perthes disease, regional migratory osteoporosis), anemic states, conditions caused by steroids, glucocorticoid-induced bone loss, heparin-induced bone loss, bone marrow disorders, scurvy, malnutrition, calcium deficiency, osteoporosis, osteopenia, alcoholism, chronic liver disease, postmenopausal state, chronic inflammatory conditions, rheumatoid arthritis, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, inflammatory colitis, Crohn's disease, oligomenorrhea, amenorrhea, pregnancy, diabetes mellitus, hyperthyroidism, thyroid disorders, parathyroid disorders, Cushing's disease, acromegaly, hypogonadism, immobilization or disuse, reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, regional osteoporosis, osteomalacia, bone loss associated with joint replacement, HIV associated bone loss, bone loss associated with loss of growth hormone, bone loss associated with cystic fibrosis, chemotherapy associated bone loss, tumor induced bone loss, cancer-related bone loss, hormone ablative bone loss, multiple myeloma, drug-induced bone loss, anorexia nervosa, disease associated facial bone loss, disease associated cranial bone loss, disease associated bone loss of the jaw, disease associated bone loss of the skull, bone loss associated with aging, facial bone loss associated with aging, cranial bone loss associated with aging, jaw bone loss associated with aging, skull bone loss associated with aging, and bone loss associated with space travel.

59. The method according to claim 56, wherein the bone-related disorder is at least one of achondroplasia, cleidocranial dysostosis, enchondromatosis, fibrous dysplasia, Gaucher's Disease, hypophosphatemic rickets, Marfan's syndrome, multiple hereditary

exotoses, neurofibromatosis, osteogenesis imperfecta, osteopetrosis, osteopoikilosis, sclerotic lesions, pseudoarthrosis, pyogenic osteomyelitis, periodontal disease, anti-epileptic drug induced bone loss, primary and secondary hyperparathyroidism, familial hyperparathyroidism syndromes, weightlessness induced bone loss, osteoporosis in men, postmenopausal bone loss, osteoarthritis, renal osteodystrophy, infiltrative disorders of bone, oral bone loss, osteonecrosis of the jaw, juvenile Paget's disease, melorheostosis, metabolic bone diseases, mastocytosis, sickle cell anemia/disease, organ transplant related bone loss, kidney transplant related bone loss, systemic lupus erythematosus, ankylosing spondylitis, epilepsy, juvenile arthritides, thalassemia, mucopolysaccharidoses, Fabry Disease, Turner Syndrome, Down Syndrome, Klinefelter Syndrome, leprosy, Perthes' Disease, adolescent idiopathic scoliosis, infantile onset multi-system inflammatory disease, Winchester Syndrome, Menkes Disease, Wilson's Disease, ischemic bone disease (such as Legg-Calve-Perthes disease, regional migratory osteoporosis), anemic states, conditions caused by steroids, glucocorticoid-induced bone loss, heparin-induced bone loss, bone marrow disorders, scurvy, malnutrition, calcium deficiency, osteoporosis, osteopenia, alcoholism, chronic liver disease, postmenopausal state, chronic inflammatory conditions, rheumatoid arthritis, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, inflammatory colitis, Crohn's disease, oligomenorrhea, amenorrhea, pregnancy, diabetes mellitus, hyperthyroidism, thyroid disorders, parathyroid disorders, Cushing's disease, acromegaly, hypogonadism, immobilization or disuse, reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, regional osteoporosis, osteomalacia, bone loss associated with joint replacement, HIV associated bone loss, bone loss associated with loss of growth hormone, bone loss associated with cystic fibrosis, chemotherapy associated bone loss, tumor induced bone loss, cancer-related bone loss, hormone ablative bone loss, multiple myeloma, drug-induced bone loss, anorexia nervosa, disease associated facial bone loss, disease associated cranial bone loss, disease associated bone loss of the jaw, disease associated bone loss of the skull, bone loss associated with aging, facial bone loss associated with aging, cranial bone loss associated with aging, jaw bone loss associated with aging, skull bone loss associated with aging, and bone loss associated with space travel.

60. A method of increasing at least one of bone formation, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone mineral density, bone quality, and bone strength in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a pharmaceutical composition of claim 22.

61. A method of increasing at least one of bone formation, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone mineral density, bone quality, and bone strength in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a pharmaceutical composition of claim 23.

62. A method of increasing at least one of bone formation, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone mineral density, bone quality, and bone strength in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a pharmaceutical composition of claim 51.

63. A method of improving the outcome in a mammal undergoing one or more of an orthopedic procedure, dental procedure, implant surgery, joint replacement, bone grafting, bone cosmetic surgery and bone repair such as fracture healing, nonunion healing, delayed union healing and facial reconstruction, comprising administering to said mammal a pharmaceutical composition of claim 22 before, during and/or after said procedure, replacement, graft, surgery or repair.

64. A method of improving the outcome in a mammal undergoing one or more of an orthopedic procedure, dental procedure, implant surgery, joint replacement, bone grafting, bone cosmetic surgery and bone repair such as fracture healing, nonunion healing, delayed union healing and facial reconstruction, comprising administering to said mammal a pharmaceutical composition of claim 23 before, during and/or after said procedure, replacement, graft, surgery or repair.

65. A method of improving the outcome in a mammal undergoing one or more of an orthopedic procedure, dental procedure, implant surgery, joint replacement, bone grafting, bone cosmetic surgery and bone repair such as fracture healing, nonunion healing, delayed union healing and facial reconstruction, comprising administering to said mammal a pharmaceutical composition of claim 51 before, during and/or after said procedure, replacement, graft, surgery or repair.

66. An antibody, wherein said antibody is Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, or Ab-24.

67. A diagnostic kit comprising a sclerostin binding agent according to any one of claims 1, 3, 9-12 and 14-20.

68. A diagnostic kit comprising an antibody according to claim 6.

69. A diagnostic kit comprising an antibody according to claim 21.

70. A diagnostic kit comprising an antibody according to claim 29.

71. A polypeptide comprising at least one of SEQ ID NOs:39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 78, 79, 80, 81, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277,

278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 351, 352, 353, 358, 359, and 360.

72. A polypeptide according to claim 71 conjugated to at least one of Fc, PEG, albumin, and transferrin.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 depicts the amino acid sequences of the mature form (signal peptides cleaved off) of the light chain (Figure 1A) (SEQ ID NO:23) and heavy chain (Figure 1B) (SEQ ID NO:27) for the anti-human sclerostin and anti-mouse sclerostin antibody Ab-A.

Figure 2 depicts the amino acid sequences of the mature form (signal peptides cleaved off) of the light chain (Figure 2A) (SEQ ID NO:31) and heavy chain (Figure 2B) (SEQ ID NO:35) for the anti-human sclerostin and anti-mouse sclerostin antibody Ab-B.

Figure 3 depicts the amino acid sequences of the mature form (signal peptides cleaved off) of the light chain (Figure 3A) (SEQ ID NO:15) and heavy chain (Figure 3B) (SEQ ID NO:19) for the anti-human sclerostin and anti-mouse sclerostin antibody Ab-C.

Figure 4 depicts the amino acid sequences of the mature form (signal peptides cleaved off) of the light chain (Figure 4A) (SEQ ID NO:7) and heavy chain (Figure 4B) (SEQ ID NO:11) for the anti-human sclerostin and anti-mouse sclerostin antibody Ab-D.

Figure 5 depicts bone mineral density in mice measured at two skeletal sites (lumbar vertebrae and tibial metaphysis) after 3 weeks of treatment with vehicle, PTH (1-34), Ab-A or Ab-B.

Figure 6 shows bone mineral density in mice measured at two skeletal sites (lumbar vertebrae and tibial metaphysis) after 2 weeks of treatment with vehicle, PTH (1-34) or Ab-C.

Figure 7 depicts bone mineral density in mice measured at two skeletal sites (lumbar vertebrae and tibial metaphysis) after 3 weeks of treatment with vehicle or Ab-D.

Figure 8 depicts the amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide cleaved off) of human sclerostin (SEQ ID NO:1). Also depicted is the nucleotide sequence of the human sclerostin coding region that encodes the mature form of human sclerostin. The eight cysteines are numbered C1 through C8. The cystine-knot is formed by three disulfide bonds (C1-C5; C3-C7; C4-C8). C2 and C6 also form a disulfide bond, however this disulfide is not part of the cystine-knot.

Figure 9 depicts a schematic of the basic structure of human sclerostin. There is an N-terminal arm (from the first Q to C1) and a C-terminal arm (from C8 to the terminal Y). In between these arms there is the cystine-knot structure (formed by three disulfides: C1-C5; C3-C7; C4-C8) and three loops which are designated Loop1, Loop 2 and Loop 3. The distal regions of Loop 1 and Loop 3 are linked by the C2-C6 disulfide. Potential trypsin cleavage sites are indicated (arginine=R and lysine=K). Some of the potential AspN cleavage sites are indicated (only aspartic acid (D) residues are shown).

Figure 10 depicts the HPLC peptide maps of human sclerostin after digestion with either trypsin or AspN. The human sclerostin peptides generated by trypsin digestion are indicated (T19.2, T20, T20.6 and T21-22) as are the human sclerostin peptides generated by AspN digestion (AspN14.6, AspN18.6 and AspN22.7-23.5).

Figure 11 depicts sequence and mass information for the isolated human sclerostin disulfide linked peptides generated by trypsin digestion. Seq. pos. = sequence position. Obs. = observed. Observed mass was determined by ESI-LC-MS analysis.

Figure 12 depicts sequence and mass information for the isolated human sclerostin peptides generated by AspN digestion. The AspN22.7-23.5 peptide contains the 4 disulfide bonds. Seq. pos. = sequence position. Obs. = observed. Observed mass was determined by ESI-LC-MS analysis.

Figure 13 shows a linear schematic of four human sclerostin peptides (T19.2, T20, T20.6 and T21-22) generated by trypsin digestion.

Figure 14 shows a linear schematic of five human sclerostin peptides (AspN14.6, AspN18.6 and AspN22.7-23.5) generated by AspN digestion. The AspN14.6 HPLC peak is composed of three peptides not linked by any disulfide bonds.

Figure 15 shows the resonance unit (Ru) signal from the Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay." Relative Mab binding to various human sclerostin-peptides (in solution) versus Mab binding to intact mature form human sclerostin (immobilized on Biacore chip) was assessed. Data shown is for Ab-A. Human sclerostin peptides used were T19.2, T20, T20.6, T21-22, AspN14.6, AspN18.6 and AspN22.7-23.5.

Figure 16 shows the resonance unit (Ru) signal from the Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay." Relative Mab binding to various human sclerostin-peptides (in solution) versus Mab binding to intact mature form human sclerostin (immobilized on Biacore chip) was assessed. Data shown is for Ab-B. Human sclerostin peptides used were T19.2, T20, T20.6, T21-22, AspN14.6, AspN18.6 and AspN22.7-23.5.

Figure 17 shows the resonance unit (Ru) signal from the Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay." Relative Mab binding to various human sclerostin-peptides (in solution) versus Mab binding to intact mature form human sclerostin (immobilized on Biacore chip) was assessed. Data shown is for Ab-C. Human sclerostin peptides used were T19.2, T20, T20.6, T21-22, AspN14.6, AspN18.6 and AspN22.7-23.5.

Figure 18 shows the resonance unit (Ru) signal from Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay." Relative Mab binding to various human sclerostin-peptides (in solution) versus Mab binding to intact mature form human sclerostin

(immobilized on Biacore chip) was assessed. Data shown is for Ab-D. Human sclerostin peptides used were T19.2, T20, T20.6, T21-22, AspN14.6, AspN18.6 and AspN22.7-23.5.

Figure 19 shows two Mab binding epitopes of human sclerostin. Figure 19A shows sequence of the Loop 2 epitope for binding of Ab-A and Ab-B to human sclerostin (SEQ ID NO:6). Figure 19B shows sequence, disulfide bonding and schematic of the T20.6 epitope for binding of Ab-C and Ab-D to human sclerostin (SEQ ID NO:2-5).

Figure 20 depicts the HPLC peptide maps of human sclerostin after digestion with trypsin. Figure 20A shows digestion of the human sclerostin Ab-D complex. Figure 20B shows digestion of human sclerostin alone. The T19.2, T20, T20.6 and T21-22 peptide peaks are indicated.

Figure 21 shows the sequence, disulfide bonding and schematic of the "T20.6 derivative 1 (cystine-knot + 4 arms)" epitope for binding of Ab-D to human sclerostin. (SEQ ID NO:70-73).

Figure 22 shows results from the MC3T3-E1-BF osteoblast cell line mineralization assay used for identifying anti-sclerostin neutralizing Mabs. Mouse sclerostin (Scl) was used at 1 μg/ml. Monoclonal antibodies were used at 10 and 5 μg/ml. Extent of mineralization (various types of insoluble calcium phosphate) was quantitated by measuring calcium.

Figure 23 depicts results from the MC3T3-E1-BF osteoblast cell line mineralization assay used for identifying anti-sclerostin neutralizing Mabs. Human sclerostin (Scl) was used at 1 μg/ml. Monoclonal antibodies were used at 8 and 4 μg/ml. Extent of mineralization (various types of insoluble calcium phosphate) was quantitated by measuring calcium.

Figure 24 shows results from the MC3T3-E1-BF osteoblast cell line mineralization assay used for identifying anti-sclerostin neutralizing Mabs. Human sclerostin (Scl) was used at 1 μg/ml. Monoclonal antibodies were used at 10 μg/ml. Extent of mineralization (various types of insoluble calcium phosphate) was quantitated by measuring calcium.

Figure 25 depicts results from an inflammation-induced bone loss SCID mouse model. Ab-A treatment protected mice from inflammation-related bone loss associated with colitis when measured as total bone mineral density (Figure 25A), vertebral bone density (Figure 25B), and femur bone density (Figure 25C).

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The present invention relates to regions of the human sclerostin protein that contain epitopes recognized by antibodies that also bind to full-length sclerostin, and methods of making and using these epitopes. The invention also provides binding agents (such as antibodies) that specifically bind to sclerostin or portions of sclerostin, and methods for using such binding agents. The binding agents are useful to block or impair binding of human sclerostin to one or more ligand.

Recombinant human sclerostin/SOST is commercially available from R&D Systems (Minneapolis, MN, USA; 2006 cat# 1406-ST-025). Additionally, recombinant mouse sclerostin/SOST is commercially available from R&D Systems (Minneapolis, MN, USA; 2006 cat# 1589-ST-025). Research grade sclerostin binding monoclonal antibodies are commercially available from R&D Systems (Minneapolis, MN, USA; mouse monoclonal: 2006 cat# MAB1406; rat monoclonal: 2006 cat# MAB1589). U.S. Patent Nos. 6,395,511 and 6,803,453, and U.S. Patent Publications 20040009535 and 20050106683 refer to anti-sclerostin antibodies generally.

As used herein, the term human sclerostin is intended to include the protein of SEQ ID NO:1 and allelic variants thereof. Sclerostin can be purified from 293T host cells that have been transfected by a gene encoding sclerostin by elution of filtered supernatant of host cell culture fluid using a Heparin HP column, using a salt gradient. The preparation and further purification using cation exchange chromatography are described in Examples 1 and 2.

Binding agents of the invention are preferably antibodies, as defined herein. The term "antibody" refers to an intact antibody, or a binding fragment thereof. An antibody may comprise a complete antibody molecule (including polyclonal, monoclonal, chimeric, humanized, or human versions having full length heavy and/or light chains), or comprise an antigen binding fragment thereof. Antibody fragments include $F(ab')_2$, Fab, Fab', Fv, Fc, and Fd fragments, and can be incorporated into single domain antibodies, single-chain antibodies, maxibodies, minibodies, intrabodies, diabodies, triabodies, tetrabodies, v-NAR and bis-scFv (See *e.g.*,, Hollinger and Hudson, 2005, Nature Biotechnology, 23, 9, 1126-1136). Antibody polypeptides are also disclosed in U. S. Patent No. 6,703,199, including fibronectin polypeptide monobodies. Other antibody polypeptides are disclosed in U.S. Patent Publication 2005/0238646, which are single-chain polypeptides.

Antigen binding fragments derived from an antibody can be obtained, for example, by proteolytic hydrolysis of the antibody, for example, pepsin or papain digestion of

whole antibodies according to conventional methods. By way of example, antibody fragments can be produced by enzymatic cleavage of antibodies with pepsin to provide a 5S fragment termed $F(ab')_2$. This fragment can be further cleaved using a thiol reducing agent to produce 3.5S Fab' monovalent fragments. Optionally, the cleavage reaction can be performed using a blocking group for the sulfhydryl groups that result from cleavage of disulfide linkages. As an alternative, an enzymatic cleavage using papain produces two monovalent Fab fragments and an Fc fragment directly. These methods are described, for example, by Goldenberg, U.S. Patent No. 4,331,647, Nisonoff *et al.*, *Arch. Biochem. Biophys.* 89:230, 1960; Porter, *Biochem. J.* 73:119, 1959; Edelman *et al.*, in *Methods in Enzymology* 1:422 (Academic Press 1967); and by Andrews, S.M. and Titus, J.A. in *Current Protocols in Immunology* (Coligan J.E., *et al.*, eds), John Wiley & Sons, New York (2003). pages 2.8.1-2.8.10 and 2.10A.1-2.10A.5. Other methods for cleaving antibodies, such as separating heavy chains to form monovalent light-heavy chain fragments (Fd), further cleaving of fragments, or other enzymatic, chemical, or genetic techniques may also be used, so long as the fragments bind to the antigen that is recognized by the intact antibody.

An antibody fragment may also be any synthetic or genetically engineered protein. For example, antibody fragments include isolated fragments consisting of the light chain variable region, "Fv" fragments consisting of the variable regions of the heavy and light chains, recombinant single chain polypeptide molecules in which light and heavy variable regions are connected by a peptide linker (scFv proteins).

Another form of an antibody fragment is a peptide comprising one or more complementarity determining regions (CDRs) of an antibody. CDRs (also termed "minimal recognition units", or "hypervariable region") can be obtained by constructing polynucleotides that encode the CDR of interest. Such polynucleotides are prepared, for example, by using the polymerase chain reaction to synthesize the variable region using mRNA of antibody-producing cells as a template (*see*, for example, Larrick *et al.*, *Methods: A Companion to Methods in Enzymology* 2:106, 1991; Courtenay-Luck, "Genetic Manipulation of Monoclonal Antibodies," in *Monoclonal Antibodies: Production, Engineering and Clinical Application*, Ritter *et al.* (eds.), page 166 (Cambridge University Press 1995); and Ward *et al.*, "Genetic Manipulation and Expression of Antibodies," in *Monoclonal Antibodies: Principles and Applications*, Birch *et al.*, (eds.), page 137 (Wiley-Liss, Inc. 1995)).

Thus, in one embodiment, the binding agent comprises at least one CDR as described herein. The binding agent may comprise at least two, three, four, five or six CDR's as described herein. The binding agent further may comprise at least one variable region domain of

an antibody described herein. The variable region domain may be of any size or amino acid composition and will generally comprise at least one CDR sequence responsible for binding to human sclerostin, for example CDR-H1, CDR-H2, CDR-H3 and/or the light chain CDRs specifically described herein and which is adjacent to or in frame with one or more framework sequences. In general terms, the variable (V) region domain may be any suitable arrangement of immunoglobulin heavy (V_H) and/or light (V_L) chain variable domains. Thus, for example, the V region domain may be monomeric and be a V_H or V_L domain, which is capable of independently binding human sclerostin with an affinity at least equal to 1×10^{-7}M or less as describedbelow. Alternatively, the V region domain may be dimeric and contain V_H-V_H, V_H-V_L, or V_L-V_L, dimers. The V region dimer comprises at least one V_H and at least one V_L chain that may be non-covalently associated (hereinafter referred to as F_V). If desired, the chains may be covalently coupled either directly, for example via a disulfide bond between the two variable domains, or through a linker, for example a peptide linker, to form a single chain Fv (scF_V).

The variable region domain may be any naturally occurring variable domain or an engineered version thereof. By engineered version is meant a variable region domain that has been created using recombinant DNA engineering techniques. Such engineered versions include those created, for example, from a specific antibody variable region by insertions, deletions, or changes in or to the amino acid sequences of the specific antibody. Particular examples include engineered variable region domains containing at least one CDR and optionally one or more framework amino acids from a first antibody and the remainder of the variable region domain from a second antibody.

The variable region domain may be covalently attached at a C-terminal amino acid to at least one other antibody domain or a fragment thereof. Thus, for example, a VH domain that is present in the variable region domain may be linked to an immunoglobulin CH1 domain, or a fragment thereof. Similarly a V_L domain may be linked to a C_K domain or a fragment thereof. In this way, for example, the antibody may be a Fab fragment wherein the antigen binding domain contains associated V_H and V_L domains covalently linked at their C-termini to a CH1 and C_K domain, respectively. The CH1 domain may be extended with further amino acids, for example to provide a hinge region or a portion of a hinge region domain as found in a Fab' fragment, or to provide further domains, such as antibody CH2 and CH3 domains.

As described herein, binding agents comprise at least one of these CDRs. For example, one or more CDR may be incorporated into known antibody framework regions (IgG1, IgG2, etc.), or conjugated to a suitable vehicle to enhance the half-life thereof. Suitable vehicles

include, but are not limited to Fc, polyethylene glycol (PEG), albumin, transferrin, and the like. These and other suitable vehicles are known in the art. Such conjugated CDR peptides may be in monomeric, dimeric, tetrameric, or other form. In one embodiment, one or more water-soluble polymer is bonded at one or more specific position, for example at the amino terminus, of a binding agent.

In certain preferred embodiments, a binding agent comprises one or more water soluble polymer attachments, including, but not limited to, polyethylene glycol, polyoxyethylene glycol, or polypropylene glycol. *See, e.g.*, U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,640,835, 4,496,689, 4,301,144, 4,670,417, 4,791,192 and 4,179,337. In certain embodiments, a derivative binding agent comprises one or more of monomethoxy-polyethylene glycol, dextran, cellulose, or other carbohydrate based polymers, poly-(N-vinyl pyrrolidone)-polyethylene glycol, propylene glycol homopolymers, a polypropylene oxide/ethylene oxide co-polymer, polyoxyethylated polyols (*e.g.*, glycerol) and polyvinyl alcohol, as well as mixtures of such polymers. In certain embodiments, one or more water-soluble polymer is randomly attached to one or more side chains. In certain embodiments, PEG can act to improve the therapeutic capacity for a binding agent, such as an antibody. Certain such methods are discussed, for example, in U.S. Pat. No. 6,133,426, which is hereby incorporated by reference for any purpose.

It will be appreciated that a binding agent of the present invention may have at least one amino acid substitution, providing that the binding agent retains binding specificity. Therefore, modifications to the binding agent structures are encompassed within the scope of the invention. These may include amino acid substitutions, which may be conservative or non-conservative, that do not destroy the sclerostin binding capability of a binding agent. Conservative amino acid substitutions may encompass non-naturally occurring amino acid residues, which are typically incorporated by chemical peptide synthesis rather than by synthesis in biological systems. These include peptidomimetics and other reversed or inverted forms of amino acid moieties. A conservative amino acid substitution may also involve a substitution of a native amino acid residue with a normative residue such that there is little or no effect on the polarity or charge of the amino acid residue at that position.

Non-conservative substitutions may involve the exchange of a member of one class of amino acids or amino acid mimetics for a member from another class with different physical properties (*e.g.* size, polarity, hydrophobicity, charge). Such substituted residues may be introduced into regions of the human antibody that are homologous with non-human antibodies, or into the non-homologous regions of the molecule.

Moreover, one skilled in the art may generate test variants containing a single

amino acid substitution at each desired amino acid residue. The variants can then be screened using activity assays known to those skilled in the art. Such variants could be used to gather information about suitable variants. For example, if one discovered that a change to a particular amino acid residue resulted in destroyed, undesirably reduced, or unsuitable activity, variants with such a change may be avoided. In other words, based on information gathered from such routine experiments, one skilled in the art can readily determine the amino acids where further substitutions should be avoided either alone or in combination with other mutations.

A skilled artisan will be able to determine suitable variants of the polypeptide as set forth herein using well-known techniques. In certain embodiments, one skilled in the art may identify suitable areas of the molecule that may be changed without destroying activity by targeting regions not believed to be important for activity. In certain embodiments, one can identify residues and portions of the molecules that are conserved among similar polypeptides. In certain embodiments, even areas that may be important for biological activity or for structure may be subject to conservative amino acid substitutions without destroying the biological activity or without adversely affecting the polypeptide structure.

Additionally, one skilled in the art can review structure-function studies identifying residues in similar polypeptides that are important for activity or structure. In view of such a comparison, one can predict the importance of amino acid residues in a protein that correspond to amino acid residues which are important for activity or structure in similar proteins. One skilled in the art may opt for chemically similar amino acid substitutions for such predicted important amino acid residues.

One skilled in the art can also analyze the three-dimensional structure and amino acid sequence in relation to that structure in similar polypeptides. In view of such information, one skilled in the art may predict the alignment of amino acid residues of an antibody with respect to its three dimensional structure. In certain embodiments, one skilled in the art may choose not to make radical changes to amino acid residues predicted to be on the surface of the protein, since such residues may be involved in important interactions with other molecules.

A number of scientific publications have been devoted to the prediction of secondary structure. *See* Moult J., Curr. Op. in Biotech., 7(4):422-427 (1996), Chou *et al.*, Biochemistry, 13(2):222-245 (1974); Chou *et al.*, Biochemistry, 113(2):211-222 (1974); Chou *et al.*, Adv. Enzymol. Relat. Areas Mol. Biol., 47:45-148 (1978); Chou *et al.*, Ann. Rev. Biochem., 47:251-276 and Chou *et al.*, Biophys. J., 26:367-384 (1979). Moreover, computer programs are currently available to assist with predicting secondary structure. One method of predicting secondary structure is based upon homology modeling. For example, two polypeptides or

proteins which have a sequence identity of greater than 30%, or similarity greater than 40% often have similar structural topologies. The recent growth of the protein structural database (PDB) has provided enhanced predictability of secondary structure, including the potential number of folds within a polypeptide's or protein's structure. See Holm *et al.*, Nucl. Acid. Res., 27(1):244-247 (1999). It has been suggested (Brenner *et al.*, Curr. Op. Struct. Biol., 7(3):369-376 (1997)) that there are a limited number of folds in a given polypeptide or protein and that once a critical number of structures have been resolved, structural prediction will become dramatically more accurate.

Additional methods of predicting secondary structure include "threading" (Jones, D., Curr. Opin. Struct. Biol., 7(3):377-87 (1997); Sippl *et al.*, Structure, 4(1):15-19 (1996)), "profile analysis" (Bowie *et al.*, Science, 253:164-170 (1991); Gribskov *et al.*, Meth. Enzym., 183:146-159 (1990); Gribskov *et al.*, Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci., 84(13):4355-4358 (1987)), and "evolutionary linkage" (See Holm, supra (1999), and Brenner, supra (1997)).

In certain embodiments, variants of binding agents include glycosylation variants wherein the number and/or type of glycosylation site has been altered compared to the amino acid sequences of a parent polypeptide. In certain embodiments, variants comprise a greater or a lesser number of N-linked glycosylation sites than the native protein. An N-linked glycosylation site is characterized by the sequence: Asn-X-Ser or Asn-X-Thr, wherein the amino acid residue designated as X may be any amino acid residue except proline. The substitution of amino acid residues to create this sequence provides a potential new site for the addition of an N-linked carbohydrate chain. Alternatively, substitutions which eliminate this sequence will remove an existing N-linked carbohydrate chain. Also provided is a rearrangement of N-linked carbohydrate chains wherein one or more N-linked glycosylation sites (typically those that are naturally occurring) are eliminated and one or more new N-linked sites are created. Additional preferred antibody variants include cysteine variants wherein one or more cysteine residues are deleted from or substituted for another amino acid (*e.g.*, serine) as compared to the parent amino acid sequence. Cysteine variants may be useful when antibodies must be refolded into a biologically active conformation such as after the isolation of insoluble inclusion bodies. Cysteine variants generally have fewer cysteine residues than the native protein, and typically have an even number to minimize interactions resulting from unpaired cysteines.

Desired amino acid substitutions (whether conservative or non-conservative) can be determined by those skilled in the art at the time such substitutions are desired. In certain embodiments, amino acid substitutions can be used to identify important residues of antibodies to sclerostin, or to increase or decrease the affinity of the antibodies to sclerostin described

herein.

According to certain embodiments, preferred amino acid substitutions are those which: (1) reduce susceptibility to proteolysis, (2) reduce susceptibility to oxidation, (3) alter binding affinity for forming protein complexes, (4) alter binding affinities, and/or (4) confer or modify other physiochemical or functional properties on such polypeptides. According to certain embodiments, single or multiple amino acid substitutions (in certain embodiments, conservative amino acid substitutions) may be made in the naturally-occurring sequence (in certain embodiments, in the portion of the polypeptide outside the domain(s) forming intermolecular contacts). In certain embodiments, a conservative amino acid substitution typically may not substantially change the structural characteristics of the parent sequence (*e.g.*, a replacement amino acid should not tend to break a helix that occurs in the parent sequence, or disrupt other types of secondary structure that characterizes the parent sequence). Examples of art-recognized polypeptide secondary and tertiary structures are described in Proteins, Structures and Molecular Principles (Creighton, Ed., W. H. Freeman and Company, New York (1984)); Introduction to Protein Structure (C. Branden and J. Tooze, eds., Garland Publishing, New York, N.Y. (1991)); and Thornton *et al.* Nature 354:105 (1991), which are each incorporated herein by reference.

In certain embodiments, binding agents of the invention may be chemically bonded with polymers, lipids, or other moieties.

The binding agents may comprise at least one of the CDRs described herein incorporated into a biocompatible framework structure. In one example, the biocompatible framework structure comprises a polypeptide or portion thereof that is sufficient to form a conformationally stable structural support, or framework, or scaffold, which is able to display one or more sequences of amino acids that bind to an antigen (*e.g.*, CDRs, a variable region, etc.) in a localized surface region. Such structures can be a naturally occurring polypeptide or polypeptide "fold" (a structural motif), or can have one or more modifications, such as additions, deletions or substitutions of amino acids, relative to a naturally occurring polypeptide or fold. These scaffolds can be derived from a polypeptide of any species (or of more than one species), such as a human, other mammal, other vertebrate, invertebrate, plant, bacteria or virus.

Typically the biocompatible framework structures are based on protein scaffolds or skeletons other than immunoglobulin domains. For example, those based on fibronectin, ankyrin, lipocalin, neocarzinostain, cytochrome b, CP1 zinc finger, PST1, coiled coil, LACI-D1,

Z domain and tendramisat domains may be used (See *e.g.*, , Nygren and Uhlen, 1997, Current Opinion in Structural Biology, 7, 463-469).

In preferred embodiments, it will be appreciated that the binding agents of the invention include the humanized antibodies described herein.. Humanized antibodies such as those described herein can be produced using techniques known to those skilled in the art (Zhang, W., *et al.*, *Molecular Immunology. 42(12)*:1445-1451, 2005; Hwang W. *et al.*, *Methods. 36(1)*:35-42, 2005; Dall'Acqua WF, *et al.*, *Methods 36(1)*:43-60, 2005; and Clark, M., *Immunology Today. 21(8)*:397-402, 2000).

Additionally, one skilled in the art will recognize that suitable binding agents include portions of these antibodies, such as one or more of CDR-H1, CDR-H2, CDR-H3, CDR-L1, CDR-L2 and CDR-L3 as specifically disclosed herein. At least one of the regions of CDR-H1, CDR-H2, CDR-H3, CDR-L1, CDR-L2 and CDR-L3 may have at least one amino acid substitution, provided that the binding agent retains the binding specificity of the non-substituted CDR. The non-CDR portion of the binding agent may be a non-protein molecule, wherein the binding agent cross-blocks the binding of an antibody disclosed herein to sclerostin and/or neutralizes sclerostin. The non-CDR portion of the binding agent may be a non-protein molecule in which the binding agent exhibits a similar binding pattern to human sclerostin peptides in a "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay" as that exhibited by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24, and/or neutralizes sclerostin. The non-CDR portion of the binding agent may be composed of amino acids, wherein the binding agent is a recombinant binding protein or a synthetic peptide, and the recombinant binding protein cross-blocks the binding of an antibody disclosed herein to sclerostin and/or neutralizes sclerostin. The non-CDR portion of the binding agent may be composed of amino acids, wherein the binding agent is a recombinant binding protein, and the recombinant binding protein exhibits a similar binding pattern to human sclerostin peptides in the human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay (described hereinbelow) as that exhibited by at least one of the antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24, and/or neutralizes sclerostin.

Where an antibody comprises one or more of CDR-H1, CDR-H2, CDR-H3, CDR-L1, CDR-L2 and CDR-L3 as described above, it may be obtained by expression from a host cell containing DNA coding for these sequences. A DNA coding for each CDR sequence

may be determined on the basis of the amino acid sequence of the CDR and synthesized together with any desired antibody variable region framework and constant region DNA sequences using oligonucleotide synthesis techniques, site-directed mutagenesis and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) techniques as appropriate. DNA coding for variable region frameworks and constant regions is widely available to those skilled in the art from genetic sequences databases such as GenBank®. Each of the above-mentioned CDRs will be typically located in a variable region framework at positions 31-35 (CDR-H1), 50-65 (CDR-H2) and 95-102 (CDR-H3) of the heavy chain and positions 24-34 (CDR-L1), 50-56 (CDR-L2) and 89-97 (CDR-L3) of the light chain according to the Kabat numbering system (Kabat *et al.*, 1987 in *Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest*, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, NIH, USA).

Once synthesized, the DNA encoding an antibody of the invention or fragment thereof may be propagated and expressed according to any of a variety of well-known procedures for nucleic acid excision, ligation, transformation, and transfection using any number of known expression vectors. Thus, in certain embodiments expression of an antibody fragment may be preferred in a prokaryotic host, such as *Escherichia coli* (*see, e.g.*, Pluckthun *et al.*, 1989 *Methods Enzymol.* 178:497-515). In certain other embodiments, expression of the antibody or a fragment thereof may be preferred in a eukaryotic host cell, including yeast (*e.g.*, *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, *Schizosaccharomyces pombe*, and *Pichia pastoris*), animal cells (including mammalian cells) or plant cells. Examples of suitable animal cells include, but are not limited to, myeloma (such as a mouse NSO line), COS, CHO, or hybridoma cells. Examples of plant cells include tobacco, corn, soybean, and rice cells.

One or more replicable expression vectors containing DNA encoding an antibody variable and/or constant region may be prepared and used to transform an appropriate cell line, for example, a non-producing myeloma cell line, such as a mouse NSO line or a bacteria, such as *E. coli*, in which production of the antibody will occur. In order to obtain efficient transcription and translation, the DNA sequence in each vector should include appropriate regulatory sequences, particularly a promoter and leader sequence operatively linked to the variable domain sequence. Particular methods for producing antibodies in this way are generally well-known and routinely used. For example, basic molecular biology procedures are described by Maniatis *et al.* (*Molecular Cloning, A Laboratory Manual*, 2nd ed., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York, 1989; *see also* Maniatis *et al*, 3rd ed., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York, (2001)). DNA sequencing can be performed as described in Sanger *et al.* (PNAS 74:5463, (1977)) and the Amersham International plc sequencing handbook, and site directed mutagenesis can be carried out according to methods known in the art (Kramer *et al., Nucleic*

Acids Res. 12:9441, (1984); Kunkel *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 82:488-92 (1985); Kunkel *et al.*, *Methods in Enzymol.* 154:367-82 (1987); the Anglian Biotechnology Ltd handbook). Additionally, numerous publications describe techniques suitable for the preparation of antibodies by manipulation of DNA, creation of expression vectors, and transformation and culture of appropriate cells (Mountain A and Adair, J R in *Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering Reviews* (ed. Tombs, M P, 10, Chapter 1, 1992, Intercept, Andover, UK); "Current Protocols in Molecular Biology", 1999, F.M. Ausubel (ed.), Wiley Interscience, New York).

Where it is desired to improve the affinity of antibodies according to the invention containing one or more of the above-mentioned CDRs can be obtained by a number of affinity maturation protocols including maintaining the CDRs (Yang *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 254, 392-403, 1995), chain shuffling (Marks *et al.*, *Bio/Technology*, 10, 779-783, 1992), use of mutation strains of *E. coli.* (Low *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 250, 350-368, 1996), DNA shuffling (Patten *et al.*, *Curr. Opin. Biotechnol.*, 8, 724-733, 1997), phage display (Thompson *et al.*, *J. Mol. Biol.*, 256, 7-88, 1996) and sexual PCR (Crameri, *et al.*, *Nature*, 391, 288-291, 1998). All of these methods of affinity maturation are discussed by Vaughan *et al.* (*Nature Biotechnology*, 16, 535-539, 1998).

Other antibodies according to the invention may be obtained by conventional immunization and cell fusion procedures as described herein and known in the art. Monoclonal antibodies of the invention may be generated using a variety of known techniques. In general, monoclonal antibodies that bind to specific antigens may be obtained by methods known to those skilled in the art (*see*, for example, Kohler *et al.*, *Nature* 256:495, 1975; Coligan *et al.* (eds.), *Current Protocols in Immunology*, 1:2.5.12.6.7 (John Wiley & Sons 1991); U.S. Patent Nos. RE 32,011, 4,902,614, 4,543,439, and 4,411,993; *Monoclonal Antibodies, Hybridomas: A New Dimension in Biological Analyses*, Plenum Press, Kennett, McKearn, and Bechtol (eds.) (1980); and *Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual*, Harlow and Lane (eds.), Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press (1988); Picksley *et al.*, "Production of monoclonal antibodies against proteins expressed in *E. coli*," in *DNA Cloning 2: Expression Systems, 2nd Edition*, Glover *et al.* (eds.), page 93 (Oxford University Press 1995)). Antibody fragments may be derived therefrom using any suitable standard technique such as proteolytic digestion, or optionally, by proteolytic digestion (for example, using papain or pepsin) followed by mild reduction of disulfide bonds and alkylation. Alternatively, such fragments may also be generated by recombinant genetic engineering techniques as described herein.

Monoclonal antibodies can be obtained by injecting an animal, for example, a rat, hamster, a rabbit, or preferably a mouse, including for example a transgenic or a knock-out, as

known in the art, with an immunogen comprising human sclerostin of SEQ ID NO:1, or a fragment thereof, according to methods known in the art and described herein. The presence of specific antibody production may be monitored after the initial injection and/or after a booster injection by obtaining a serum sample and detecting the presence of an antibody that binds to human sclerostin or peptide using any one of several immunodetection methods known in the art and described herein. From animals producing the desired antibodies, lymphoid cells, most commonly cells from the spleen or lymph node, are removed to obtain B-lymphocytes. The B lymphocytes are then fused with a drug-sensitized myeloma cell fusion partner, preferably one that is syngeneic with the immunized animal and that optionally has other desirable properties (*e.g.*, inability to express endogenous Ig gene products, *e.g.*, P3X63 - Ag 8.653 (ATCC No. CRL 1580); NSO, SP20) to produce hybridomas, which are immortal eukaryotic cell lines. The lymphoid (*e.g.*, spleen) cells and the myeloma cells may be combined for a few minutes with a membrane fusion-promoting agent, such as polyethylene glycol or a nonionic detergent, and then plated at low density on a selective medium that supports the growth of hybridoma cells but not unfused myeloma cells. A preferred selection media is HAT (hypoxanthine, aminopterin, thymidine). After a sufficient time, usually about one to two weeks, colonies of cells are observed. Single colonies are isolated, and antibodies produced by the cells may be tested for binding activity to human sclerostin, using any one of a variety of immunoassays known in the art and described herein. The hybridomas are cloned (*e.g.*, by limited dilution cloning or by soft agar plaque isolation) and positive clones that produce an antibody specific to sclerostin are selected and cultured. The monoclonal antibodies from the hybridoma cultures may be isolated from the supernatants of hybridoma cultures. An alternative method for production of a murine monoclonal antibody is to inject the hybridoma cells into the peritoneal cavity of a syngeneic mouse, for example, a mouse that has been treated (*e.g.*, pristane-primed) to promote formation of ascites fluid containing the monoclonal antibody. Monoclonal antibodies can be isolated and purified by a variety of well-established techniques. Such isolation techniques include affinity chromatography with Protein-A Sepharose, size-exclusion chromatography, and ion-exchange chromatography (see, for example, Coligan at pages 2.7.1-2.7.12 and pages 2.9.1-2.9.3; Baines *et al.*, "Purification of Immunoglobulin G (IgG)," in *Methods in Molecular Biology, Vol. 10,* pages 79-104 (The Humana Press, Inc. 1992)). Monoclonal antibodies may be purified by affinity chromatography using an appropriate ligand selected based on particular properties of the antibody (*e.g.*, heavy or light chain isotype, binding specificity, etc.). Examples of a suitable ligand, immobilized on a solid support, include Protein A, Protein G, an anticonstant region

(light chain or heavy chain) antibody, an anti-idiotype antibody, and a TGF-beta binding protein, or fragment or variant thereof.

An antibody of the present invention may also be a human monoclonal antibody. Human monoclonal antibodies may be generated by any number of techniques with which those having ordinary skill in the art will be familiar. Such methods include, but are not limited to, Epstein Barr Virus (EBV) transformation of human peripheral blood cells (*e.g.*, containing B lymphocytes), *in vitro* immunization of human B cells, fusion of spleen cells from immunized transgenic mice carrying inserted human immunoglobulin genes, isolation from human immunoglobulin V region phage libraries, or other procedures as known in the art and based on the disclosure herein. For example, human monoclonal antibodies may be obtained from transgenic mice that have been engineered to produce specific human antibodies in response to antigenic challenge. Methods for obtaining human antibodies from transgenic mice are described, for example, by Green *et al.*, *Nature Genet.* 7:13, 1994; Lonberg *et al.*, *Nature* 368:856, 1994; Taylor *et al.*, *Int. Immun.* 6:579, 1994; U.S. Patent No. 5,877,397; Bruggemann *et al.*, 1997 *Curr. Opin. Biotechnol.* 8:455-58; Jakobovits *et al.*, 1995 *Ann. N. Y. Acad. Sci.* 764:525-35. In this technique, elements of the human heavy and light chain locus are introduced into strains of mice derived from embryonic stem cell lines that contain targeted disruptions of the endogenous heavy chain and light chain loci (*see also* Bruggemann *et al.*, *Curr. Opin. Biotechnol.* 8:455-58 (1997)). For example, human immunoglobulin transgenes may be mini-gene constructs, or transloci on yeast artificial chromosomes, which undergo B cell-specific DNA rearrangement and hypermutation in the mouse lymphoid tissue. Human monoclonal antibodies may be obtained by immunizing the transgenic mice, which may then produce human antibodies specific for sclerostin. Lymphoid cells of the immunized transgenic mice can be used to produce human antibody-secreting hybridomas according to the methods described herein. Polyclonal sera containing human antibodies may also be obtained from the blood of the immunized animals.

Another method for generating human antibodies of the invention includes immortalizing human peripheral blood cells by EBV transformation. *See, e.g.*, U.S. Patent No. 4,464,456. Such an immortalized B cell line (or lymphoblastoid cell line) producing a monoclonal antibody that specifically binds to sclerostin can be identified by immunodetection methods as provided herein, for example, an ELISA, and then isolated by standard cloning techniques. The stability of the lymphoblastoid cell line producing an anti-sclerostin antibody may be improved by fusing the transformed cell line with a murine myeloma to produce a mouse-human hybrid cell line according to methods known in the art (*see, e.g.*, Glasky *et al.*,

Hybridoma 8:377-89 (1989)). Still another method to generate human monoclonal antibodies is *in vitro* immunization, which includes priming human splenic B cells with human sclerostin, followed by fusion of primed B cells with a heterohybrid fusion partner. *See, e.g.*, Boerner *et al.*, 1991 *J. Immunol.* 147:86-95.

In certain embodiments, a B cell that is producing an anti-human sclerostin antibody is selected and the light chain and heavy chain variable regions are cloned from the B cell according to molecular biology techniques known in the art (WO 92/02551; US patent 5,627,052; Babcook *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 93:7843-48 (1996)) and described herein. B cells from an immunized animal may be isolated from the spleen, lymph node, or peripheral blood sample by selecting a cell that is producing an antibody that specifically binds to sclerostin. B cells may also be isolated from humans, for example, from a peripheral blood sample. Methods for detecting single B cells that are producing an antibody with the desired specificity are well known in the art, for example, by plaque formation, fluorescence-activated cell sorting, *in vitro* stimulation followed by detection of specific antibody, and the like. Methods for selection of specific antibody-producing B cells include, for example, preparing a single cell suspension of B cells in soft agar that contains human sclerostin. Binding of the specific antibody produced by the B cell to the antigen results in the formation of a complex, which may be visible as an immunoprecipitate. After the B cells producing the desired antibody are selected, the specific antibody genes may be cloned by isolating and amplifying DNA or mRNA according to methods known in the art and described herein.

An additional method for obtaining antibodies of the invention is by phage display. *See, e.g.*, Winter *et al.*, 1994 *Annu. Rev. Immunol.* 12:433-55; Burton *et al.*, 1994 *Adv. Immunol.* 57:191-280. Human or murine immunoglobulin variable region gene combinatorial libraries may be created in phage vectors that can be screened to select Ig fragments (Fab, Fv, sFv, or multimers thereof) that bind specifically to TGF-beta binding protein or variant or fragment thereof. *See, e.g.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,223,409; Huse *et al.*, 1989 *Science* 246:1275-81; Sastry *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:5728-32 (1989); Alting-Mees *et al.*, *Strategies in Molecular Biology* 3:1-9 (1990); Kang *et al.*, 1991 *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 88:4363-66; Hoogenboom *et al.*, 1992 *J. Molec. Biol.* 227:381-388; Schlebusch *et al.*, 1997 *Hybridoma* 16:47-52 and references cited therein. For example, a library containing a plurality of polynucleotide sequences encoding Ig variable region fragments may be inserted into the genome of a filamentous bacteriophage, such as M13 or a variant thereof, in frame with the sequence encoding a phage coat protein. A fusion protein may be a fusion of the coat protein with the light chain variable region domain and/or with the heavy chain variable region domain.

According to certain embodiments, immunoglobulin Fab fragments may also be displayed on a phage particle (*see, e.g.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,698,426).

Heavy and light chain immunoglobulin cDNA expression libraries may also be prepared in lambda phage, for example, using λImmunoZap^{TM}(H) and λImmunoZap^{TM}(L) vectors (Stratagene, La Jolla, California). Briefly, mRNA is isolated from a B cell population, and used to create heavy and light chain immunoglobulin cDNA expression libraries in the λImmunoZap(H) and λImmunoZap(L) vectors. These vectors may be screened individually or co-expressed to form Fab fragments or antibodies (*see* Huse *et al.*, *supra*; *see also* Sastry *et al.*, *supra*). Positive plaques may subsequently be converted to a non-lytic plasmid that allows high level expression of monoclonal antibody fragments from *E. coli*.

In one embodiment, in a hybridoma the variable regions of a gene expressing a monoclonal antibody of interest are amplified using nucleotide primers. These primers may be synthesized by one of ordinary skill in the art, or may be purchased from commercially available sources. (*See, e.g.*, Stratagene (La Jolla, California), which sells primers for mouse and human variable regions including, among others, primers for V_{Ha}, V_{Hb}, V_{Hc}, V_{Hd}, C_{H1}, V_L and C_L regions.) These primers may be used to amplify heavy or light chain variable regions, which may then be inserted into vectors such as ImmunoZAP^{TM}H or ImmunoZAP^{TM}L (Stratagene), respectively. These vectors may then be introduced into *E. coli*, yeast, or mammalian-based systems for expression. Large amounts of a single-chain protein containing a fusion of the V_H and V_L domains may be produced using these methods (see Bird *et al.*, *Science* 242:423-426, 1988).

Once cells producing antibodies according to the invention have been obtained using any of the above-described immunization and other techniques, the specific antibody genes may be cloned by isolating and amplifying DNA or mRNA therefrom according to standard procedures as described herein. The antibodies produced therefrom may be sequenced and the CDRs identified and the DNA coding for the CDRs may be manipulated as described previously to generate other antibodies according to the invention.

Preferably the binding agents specifically bind to sclerostin. As with all binding agents and binding assays, one of skill in this art recognizes that the various moieties to which a binding agent should not detectably bind in order to be therapeutically effective and suitable would be exhaustive and impractical to list. Therefore, for a binding agent disclosed herein, the term "specifically binds" refers to the ability of a binding agent to bind to sclerostin, preferably human sclerostin, with greater affinity than it binds to an unrelated control protein. Preferably the control protein is hen egg white lysozyme. Preferably the binding agents bind to sclerostin

with an affinity that is at least, 50, 100, 250, 500, 1000, or 10,000 times greater than the affinity for a control protein. A binding agent may have a binding affinity for human sclerostin of less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-7}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-8}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-9}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-10}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-11}M, or less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-12} M.

Affinity may be determined by an affinity ELISA assay. In certain embodiments, affinity may be determined by a BIAcore assay. In certain embodiments, affinity may be determined by a kinetic method. In certain embodiments, affinity may be determined by an equilibrium/solution method. Such methods are described in further detail herein or known in the art.

Sclerostin binding agents of the present invention preferably modulate sclerostin function in the cell-based assay described herein and/or the *in vivo* assay described herein and/or bind to one or more of the epitopes described herein and/or cross-block the binding of one of the antibodies described in this application and/or are cross-blocked from binding sclerostin by one of the antibodies described in this application. Accordingly such binding agents can be identified using the assays described herein.

In certain embodiments, binding agents are generated by first identifying antibodies that bind to one more of the epitopes provided herein and/or neutralize in the cell-based and/or *in vivo* assays described herein and/or cross-block the antibodies described in this application and/or are cross-blocked from binding sclerostin by one of the antibodies described in this application. The CDR regions from these antibodies are then used to insert into appropriate biocompatible frameworks to generate sclerostin binding agents. The non-CDR portion of the binding agent may be composed of amino acids, or may be a non-protein molecule. The assays described herein allow the characterization of binding agents. Preferably the binding agents of the present invention are antibodies as defined herein.

It will be understood by one skilled in the art that some proteins, such as antibodies, may undergo a variety of posttranslational modifications. The type and extent of these modifications often depends on the host cell line used to express the protein as well as the culture conditions. Such modifications may include variations in glycosylation, methionine oxidation, diketopiperizine formation, aspartate isomerization and asparagine deamidation. A frequent modification is the loss of a carboxy-terminal basic residue (such as lysine or arginine) due to the action of carboxypeptidases (as described in Harris, RJ. *Journal of Chromatography* 705:129-134, 1995).

Antibodies referred to as Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D and Ab-1 are described below. "HC" refers to the heavy chain and "LC" refers to the light chain. For some antibodies below, the CDRs are box shaded and the constant (C) regions are shown in bold italics.

Ab-D

Antibody D (also referred to herein as Ab-D and Mab-D) is a mouse antibody which exhibits high affinity binding to sclerostin. The BIAcore binding pattern of Ab-D is shown in Figure 18.

The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-D light chain:

1 DVQMIQSPSS LSASLGDIVT MTCQASQGTS INLNWFQQKP GKAPKLLIYG
51 SSNLEDGVPS RFSGSRYGTD FTLTISSLED EDLATYFCLQ HSYLPYTFGG
101 GTKLEIK***RAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI***
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:7)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-D LC is as follows:

1 GATGTCCAGA TGATTCAGTC TCCATCCTCC CTGTCTGCAT CTTTGGGAGA
51 CATAGTCACC ATGACTTGCC AGGCAAGTCA GGGCACTAGC ATTAATTTAA
101 ACTGGTTTCA GCAAAAACCA GGGAAGGCTC CTAAGCTCCT GATCTATGGT
151 TCAAGCAACT TGGAAGATGG GGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTAGATA
201 TGGGACAGAT TTCACTCTCA CCATCAGCAG CCTGGAGGAT GAAGATCTGG
251 CAACTTATTT CTGTCTACAA CATAGTTATC TCCCGTACAC GTTCGGAGGG
301 GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT
451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:8)

The amino acid sequence of Ab-D LC including signal peptide is as follows:

1 MNTRAPAEFL GFLLLWFLGA RCDVQMIQSP SSLSASLGDI VTMTCQASQG
51 TSINLNWFQQ KPGKAPKLLI YGSSNLEDGV PSRFSGSRYG TDFTLTISSL
101 EDEDLATYFC LQHSYLPYTF GGGTKLEIKR ADAAPTVSIF PPSSEQLTSG
151 GASVVCFLNN FYPKDINVKW KIDGSERQNG VLNSWTDQDS KDSTYSMSST
201 LTLTKDEYER HNSYTCEATH KTSTSPIVKS FNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:9)

Nucleic acid sequence of Ab-D LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGAACACGA GGGCCCCTGC TGAGTTCCTT GGGTTCCTGT TGCTCTGGTT
51 TTTAGGTGCC AGATGTGATG TCCAGATGAT TCAGTCTCCA TCCTCCCTGT
101 CTGCATCTTT GGGAGACATA GTCACCATGA CTTGCCAGGC AAGTCAGGGC

151 ACTAGCATTA ATTTAAACTG GTTTCAGCAA AAACCAGGGA AGGCTCCTAA
201 GCTCCTGATC TATGGTTCAA GCAACTTGGA AGATGGGGTC CCATCAAGGT
251 TCAGTGGCAG TAGATATGGG ACAGATTTCA CTCTCACCAT CAGCAGCCTG
301 GAGGATGAAG ATCTGGCAAC TTATTTCTGT CTACAACATA GTTATCTCCC
351 GTACACGTTC GGAGGGGGGA CCAAGCTGGA AATAAAACGG GCTGATGCTG
401 CACCAACTGT ATCCATCTTC CCACCATCCA GTGAGCAGTT AACATCTGGA
451 GGTGCCTCAG TCGTGTGCTT CTTGAACAAC TTCTACCCCA AAGACATCAA
501 TGTCAAGTGG AAGATTGATG GCAGTGAACG ACAAAATGGC GTCCTGAACA
551 GTTGGACTGA TCAGGACAGC AAAGACAGCA CCTACAGCAT GAGCAGCACC
601 CTCACGTTGA CCAAGGACGA GTATGAACGA CATAACAGCT ATACCTGTGA
651 GGCCACTCAC AAGACATCAA CTTCACCCAT TGTCAAGAGC TTCAACAGGA
701 ATGAGTGTTA G (SEQ ID NO:10)

The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-D HC heavy chain is as follows:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LVTPGASVKI SCKASGYTFT DHYMSWVKQS HGKSLEWIGD
51 INPYSGETTY NQKFKGTATL TVDKSSSIAY MEIRGLTSED SAVYYCARDD
101 YDASPFAYWG QGTLVTVSA***A KTTPPSVYPL APGSAAQTNS MVTLGCLVKG***
151 YFPEPVTVTW NSGSLSSGVH TFPAVLQSDL YTLSSSVTVP SSTWPSETVT
201 CNVAHPASST KVDKKIVPRD CGCKPCICTV PEVSSVFIFP PKPKDVLTIT
251 LTPKVTCVVV DISKDDPEVQ FSWFVDDVEV HTAQTQPREE QFNSTFRSVS
301 ELPIMHQDWL NGKEFKCRVN SPAFPAPIEK TISKTKGRPK APQVYTIPPP
351 KEQMAKDKVS LTCMITDFFP EDITVEWQWN GQPAENYKNT QPIMDTDGSY
401 FIYSKLNVQK SNWEAGNTFT CSVLHEGLHN HHTEKSLSHS PGK (SEQ ID NO:11)

The nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-D HC is:

1 GAGGTCCAGC TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTGGTGACGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATA TCTTGTAAGG CTTCTGGATA CACATTCACT GACCACTACA
101 TGAGCTGGGT GAAGCAGAGT CATGGAAAAA GCCTTGAGTG GATTGGAGAT
151 ATTAATCCCT ATTCTGGTGA AACTACCTAC AACCAGAAGT TCAAGGGCAC
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCTTCCAG TATAGCCTAC ATGGAGATCC
251 GCGGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGAGATGAT
301 TACGACGCCT CTCCGTTTGC TTACTGGGGC CAAGGGACTC TGGTCACTGT
351 CTCTGCAGCC AAAACGACAC CCCCATCTGT CTATCCACTG GCCCCTGGAT
401 CTGCTGCCCA AACTAACTCC ATGGTGACCC TGGGATGCCT GGTCAAGGGC
451 TATTTCCCTG AGCCAGTGAC AGTGACCTGG AACTCTGGAT CCCTGTCCAG
501 CGGTGTGCAC ACCTTCCCAG CTGTCCTGCA GTCTGACCTC TACACTCTGA
551 GCAGCTCAGT GACTGTCCCC TCCAGCACCT GGCCCAGCGA GACCGTCACC
601 TGCAACGTTG CCCACCCGGC CAGCAGCACC AAGGTGGACA AGAAAATTGT
651 GCCCAGGGAT TGTGGTTGTA AGCCTTGCAT ATGTACAGTC CCAGAAGTAT
701 CATCTGTCTT CATCTTCCCC CCAAAGCCCA AGGATGTGCT CACCATTACT
751 CTGACTCCTA AGGTCACGTG TGTTGTGGTA GACATCAGCA AGGATGATCC
801 CGAGGTCCAG TTCAGCTGGT TTGTAGATGA TGTGGAGGTG CACACAGCTC
851 AGACGCAACC CCGGGAGGAG CAGTTCAACA GCACTTTCCG CTCAGTCAGT
901 GAACTTCCCA TCATGCACCA GGACTGGCTC AATGGCAAGG AGTTCAAATG
951 CAGGGTCAAC AGTCCAGCTT TCCCTGCCCC CATCGAGAAA ACCATCTCCA
1001 AAACCAAAGG CAGACCGAAG GCTCCACAGG TGTACACCAT TCCACCTCCC
1051 AAGGAGCAGA TGGCCAAGGA TAAAGTCAGT CTGACCTGCA TGATAACAGA

1101 CTTCTTCCCT GAAGACATTA CTGTGGAGTG GCAGTGGAAT GGGCAGCCAG
1151 CGGAGAACTA CAAGAACACT CAGCCCATCA TGGACACAGA TGGCTCTTAC
1201 TTCATCTACA GCAAGCTCAA TGTGCAGAAG AGCAACTGGG AGGCAGGAAA
1251 TACTTTCACC TGCTCTGTGT TACATGAGGG CCTGCACAAC CACCATACTG
1301 AGAAGAGCCT CTCCCACTCT CCTGGTAAAT GA (SEQ ID NO:12)

The amino acid sequence of Ab-D HC including signal peptide is:

1 MRCRWIFLFL LSGTAGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL VTPGASVKIS CKASGYTFTD
51 HYMSWVKQSH GKSLEWIGDI NPYSGETTYN QKFKGTATLT VDKSSSIAYM
101 EIRGLTSEDS AVYYCARDDY DASPFAYWGQ GTLVTVSAAK TTPPSVYPLA
151 PGSAAQTNSM VTLGCLVKGY FPEPVTVTWN SGSLSSGVHT FPAVLQSDLY
201 TLSSSVTVPS STWPSETVTC NVAHPASSTK VDKKIVPRDC GCKPCICTVP
251 EVSSVFIFPP KPKDVLTITL TPKVTCVVVD ISKDDPEVQF SWFVDDVEVH
301 TAQTQPREEQ FNSTFRSVSE LPIMHQDWLN GKEFKCRVNS PAFPAPIEKT
351 ISKTKGRPKA PQVYTIPPPK EQMAKDKVSL TCMITDFFPE DITVEWQWNG
401 QPAENYKNTQ PIMDTDGSYF IYSKLNVQKS NWEAGNTFTC SVLHEGLHNH
451 HTEKSLSHSP GK (SEQ ID NO:13)

The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-D HC including signal peptide encoding sequence is:

1 ATGAGATGCA GGTGGATCTT TCTCTTTCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAGCTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTG GTGACGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATATCT TGTAAGGCTT CTGGATACAC ATTCACTGAC
151 CACTACATGA GCTGGGTGAA GCAGAGTCAT GGAAAAAGCC TTGAGTGGAT
201 TGGAGATATT AATCCCTATT CTGGTGAAAC TACCTACAAC CAGAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCACGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CTTCCAGTAT AGCCTACATG
301 GAGATCCGCG GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 AGATGATTAC GACGCCTCTC CGTTTGCTTA CTGGGGCCAA GGGACTCTGG
401 TCACTGTCTC TGCAGCCAAA ACGACACCCC CATCTGTCTA TCCACTGGCC
451 CCTGGATCTG CTGCCCAAAC TAACTCCATG GTGACCCTGG GATGCCTGGT
501 CAAGGGCTAT TTCCCTGAGC CAGTGACAGT GACCTGGAAC TCTGGATCCC
551 TGTCCAGCGG TGTGCACACC TTCCCAGCTG TCCTGCAGTC TGACCTCTAC
601 ACTCTGAGCA GCTCAGTGAC TGTCCCCTCC AGCACCTGGC CCAGCGAGAC
651 CGTCACCTGC AACGTTGCCC ACCCGGCCAG CAGCACCAAG GTGGACAAGA
701 AAATTGTGCC CAGGGATTGT GGTTGTAAGC CTTGCATATG TACAGTCCCA
751 GAAGTATCAT CTGTCTTCAT CTTCCCCCCA AAGCCCAAGG ATGTGCTCAC
801 CATTACTCTG ACTCCTAAGG TCACGTGTGT TGTGGTAGAC ATCAGCAAGG
851 ATGATCCCGA GGTCCAGTTC AGCTGGTTTG TAGATGATGT GGAGGTGCAC
901 ACAGCTCAGA CGCAACCCCG GGAGGAGCAG TTCAACAGCA CTTTCCGCTC
951 AGTCAGTGAA CTTCCCATCA TGCACCAGGA CTGGCTCAAT GGCAAGGAGT
1001 TCAAATGCAG GGTCAACAGT CCAGCTTTCC CTGCCCCCAT CGAGAAAACC
1051 ATCTCCAAAA CCAAAGGCAG ACCGAAGGCT CCACAGGTGT ACACCATTCC
1101 ACCTCCCAAG GAGCAGATGG CCAAGGATAA AGTCAGTCTG ACCTGCATGA
1151 TAACAGACTT CTTCCCTGAA GACATTACTG TGGAGTGGCA GTGGAATGGG
1201 CAGCCAGCGG AGAACTACAA GAACACTCAG CCCATCATGG ACACAGATGG
1251 CTCTTACTTC ATCTACAGCA AGCTCAATGT GCAGAAGAGC AACTGGGAGG
1301 CAGGAAATAC TTTCACCTGC TCTGTGTTAC ATGAGGGCCT GCACAACCAC
1351 CATACTGAGA AGAGCCTCTC CCACTCTCCT GGTAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:14)

The CDR (complementarity determining region) sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-D are as follows:

CDR-H1: DHYMS (SEQ ID NO:39)

CDR-H2: DINPYSGETTYNQKFKG (SEQ ID NO:40)

CDR-H3: DDYDASPFAY (SEQ ID NO:41)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-D are:

CDR-L1: QASQGTSINLN (SEQ ID NO:42)

CDR-L2: GSSNLED (SEQ ID NO:43)

CDR-L3: LQHSYLPYT (SEQ ID NO:44)

Ab-C

Antibody C (also referred to herein as Ab-C and Mab-C) is a mouse antibody which exhibits high affinity binding to sclerostin. The BIAcore binding pattern of Ab-C is shown in Figure 17. The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-C Light Chain is as follows:

1 DIVLTQSPAS LTVSLGLRAT ISCKASQSVD YDGDSYMNWY QQKPGQPPKL
51 LIYAASNLES GIPARFSGNG SGTDFTLNIH PVEEEDAVTY YCQQSNEDPW
101 TFGGGTKLEI K***RADAAPTVS IFPPSSEQLT SGGASVVCFL NNFYPKDINV***
151 KWKIDGSERQ NGVLNSWTDQ DSKDSTYSMS STLTLTKDEY ERHNSYTCEA
201 THKTSTSPIV KSFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:15)

The nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-C LC is:

1 GACATTGTGC TGACCCAATC TCCAGCTTCT TTGACTGTGT CTCTAGGCCT
51 GAGGGCCACC ATCTCCTGCA AGGCCAGCCA AAGTGTTGAT TATGATGGTG
101 ATAGTTATAT GAACTGGTAC CAGCAGAAAC CAGGACAGCC ACCCAAACTC
151 CTCATCTATG CTGCATCCAA TCTAGAATCT GGGATCCCAG CCAGGTTTAG
201 TGGCAATGGG TCTGGGACAG ACTTCACCCT CAACATCCAT CCTGTGGAGG
251 AGGAGGATGC TGTAACCTAT TACTGTCAAC AAAGTAATGA GGATCCGTGG
301 ACGTTCGGTG GAGGCACCAA GCTGGAAATC AAACGGGCTG ATGCTGCACC
351 AACTGTATCC ATCTTCCCAC CATCCAGTGA GCAGTTAACA TCTGGAGGTG
401 CCTCAGTCGT GTGCTTCTTG AACAACTTCT ACCCCAAAGA CATCAATGTC
451 AAGTGGAAGA TTGATGGCAG TGAACGACAA AATGGCGTCC TGAACAGTTG
501 GACTGATCAG GACAGCAAAG ACAGCACCTA CAGCATGAGC AGCACCCTCA
551 CGTTGACCAA GGACGAGTAT GAACGACATA ACAGCTATAC CTGTGAGGCC
601 ACTCACAAGA CATCAACTTC ACCCATTGTC AAGAGCTTCA ACAGGAATGA
651 GTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:16)

The amino acid sequence of Ab-C LC including signal peptide is:

1 METDTILLWV LLLWVPGSTG DIVLTQSPAS LTVSLGLRAT ISCKASQSVD
51 YDGDSYMNWY QQKPGQPPKL LIYAASNLES GIPARFSGNG SGTDFTLNIH
101 PVEEEDAVTY YCQQSNEDPW TFGGGTKLEI KRADAAPTVS IFPPSSEQLT

151 SGGASVVCFL NNFYPKDINV KWKIDGSERQ NGVLNSWTDQ DSKDSTYSMS
201 STLTLTKDEY ERHNSYTCEA THKTSTSPIV KSFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:17)

The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-C LC including signal peptide encoding sequence is:

1 ATGGAGACAG ACACAATCCT GCTATGGGTG CTGCTGCTCT GGGTTCCAGG
51 CTCCACTGGT GACATTGTGC TGACCCAATC TCCAGCTTCT TTGACTGTGT
101 CTCTAGGCCT GAGGGCCACC ATCTCCTGCA AGGCCAGCCA AAGTGTTGAT
151 TATGATGGTG ATAGTTATAT GAACTGGTAC CAGCAGAAAC CAGGACAGCC
201 ACCCAAACTC CTCATCTATG CTGCATCCAA TCTAGAATCT GGGATCCCAG
251 CCAGGTTTAG TGGCAATGGG TCTGGGACAG ACTTCACCCT CAACATCCAT
301 CCTGTGGAGG AGGAGGATGC TGTAACCTAT TACTGTCAAC AAAGTAATGA
351 GGATCCGTGG ACGTTCGGTG GAGGCACCAA GCTGGAAATC AAACGGGCTG
401 ATGCTGCACC AACTGTATCC ATCTTCCCAC CATCCAGTGA GCAGTTAACA
451 TCTGGAGGTG CCTCAGTCGT GTGCTTCTTG AACAACTTCT ACCCCAAAGA
501 CATCAATGTC AAGTGGAAGA TTGATGGCAG TGAACGACAA AATGGCGTCC
551 TGAACAGTTG GACTGATCAG GACAGCAAAG ACAGCACCTA CAGCATGAGC
601 AGCACCCTCA CGTTGACCAA GGACGAGTAT GAACGACATA ACAGCTATAC
651 CTGTGAGGCC ACTCACAAGA CATCAACTTC ACCCATTGTC AAGAGCTTCA
701 ACAGGAATGA GTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:18)

Ab-C Heavy Chain

The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-C HC is:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LVKPGTSVKM SCKASGYTFT DCYMNWVKQS HGKSLEWIGD
51 INPFNGGTTY NQKFKGKATL TVDKSSSTAY MQLNSLTSDD SAVYYCARSH
101 YYFDGRVPWD AMDYWGQGTS VTVSS***AKTTP PSVYPLAPGS AAQTNSMVTL***
151 GCLVKGYFPE PVTVTWNSGS LSSGVHTFPA VLQSDLYTLS SSVTVPSSTW
201 PSETVTCNVA HPASSTKVDK KIVPRDCGCK PCICTVPEVS SVFIFPPKPK
251 DVLTITLTPK VTCVVVDISK DDPEVQFSWF VDDVEVHTAQ TQPREEQFNS
301 TFRSVSELPI MHQDWLNGKE FKCRVNSAAF PAPIEKTISK TKGRPKAPQV
351 YTIPPPKEQM AKDKVSLTCM ITDFFPEDIT VEWQWNGQPA ENYKNTQPIM
401 DTDGSYFIYS KLNVQKSNWE AGNTFTCSVL HEGLHNHHTE KSLSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:19)

The nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-C HC is as follows:

1 GAGGTCCAGC TGCAACAATC TGGACCTGAG CTGGTGAAGC CTGGGACTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGTAAGG CTTCTGGATA CACATTCACT GACTGCTACA
101 TGAACTGGGT GAAGCAGAGC CATGGGAAGA GCCTTGAATG GATTGGAGAT
151 ATTAATCCTT TCAACGGTGG TACTACCTAC AACCAGAAGT TCAAGGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AATCCTCCAG CACAGCCTAC ATGCAGCTCA
251 ACAGCCTGAC ATCTGACGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATCCCAT
301 TATTACTTCG ATGGTAGAGT CCCTTGGGAT GCTATGGACT ACTGGGGTCA
351 AGGAACCTCA GTCACCGTCT CCTCAGCCAA AACGACACCC CCATCTGTCT
401 ATCCACTGGC CCCTGGATCT GCTGCCCAAA CTAACTCCAT GGTGACCCTG
451 GGATGCCTGG TCAAGGGCTA TTTCCCTGAG CCAGTGACAG TGACCTGGAA

501 CTCTGGATCC CTGTCCAGCG GTGTGCACAC CTTCCCAGCT GTCCTGCAGT
551 CTGACCTCTA CACTCTGAGC AGCTCAGTGA CTGTCCCCTC CAGCACCTGG
601 CCCAGCGAGA CCGTCACCTG CAACGTTGCC CACCCGGCCA GCAGCACCAA
651 GGTGGACAAG AAAATTGTGC CCAGGGATTG TGGTTGTAAG CCTTGCATAT
701 GTACAGTCCC AGAAGTATCA TCTGTCTTCA TCTTCCCCCC AAAGCCCAAG
751 GATGTGCTCA CCATTACTCT GACTCCTAAG GTCACGTGTG TTGTGGTAGA
801 CATCAGCAAG GATGATCCCG AGGTCCAGTT CAGCTGGTTT GTAGATGATG
851 TGGAGGTGCA CACAGCTCAG ACGCAACCCC GGGAGGAGCA GTTCAACAGC
901 ACTTTCCGCT CAGTCAGTGA ACTTCCCATC ATGCACCAGG ACTGGCTCAA
951 TGGCAAGGAG TTCAAATGCA GGGTCAACAG TGCAGCTTTC CCTGCCCCCA
1001 TCGAGAAAAC CATCTCCAAA ACCAAAGGCA GACCGAAGGC TCCACAGGTG
1051 TACACCATTC CACCTCCCAA GGAGCAGATG GCCAAGGATA AAGTCAGTCT
1101 GACCTGCATG ATAACAGACT TCTTCCCTGA AGACATTACT GTGGAGTGGC
1151 AGTGGAATGG GCAGCCAGCG GAGAACTACA AGAACACTCA GCCCATCATG
1201 GACACAGATG GCTCTTACTT CATCTACAGC AAGCTCAATG TGCAGAAGAG
1251 CAACTGGGAG GCAGGAAATA CTTTCACCTG CTCTGTGTTA CATGAGGGCC
1301 TGCACAACCA CCATACTGAG AAGAGCCTCT CCCACTCTCC TGGTAAATGA
(SEQ ID NO:20)

The amino acid sequence of Ab-C HC including signal peptide is:

1 MGWNWIFLFL LSGTAGVYSE VQLQQSGPEL VKPGTSVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 CYMNWVKQSH GKSLEWIGDI NPFNGGTTYN QKFKGKATLT VDKSSSTAYM
101 QLNSLTSDDS AVYYCARSHY YFDGRVPWDA MDYWGQGTSV TVSSAKTTPP
151 SVYPLAPGSA AQTNSMVTLG CLVKGYFPEP VTVTWNSGSL SSGVHTFPAV
201 LQSDLYTLSS SVTVPSSTWP SETVTCNVAH PASSTKVDKK IVPRDCGCKP
251 CICTVPEVSS VFIFPPKPKD VLTITLTPKV TCVVVDISKD DPEVQFSWFV
301 DDVEVHTAQT QPREEQFNST FRSVSELPIM HQDWLNGKEF KCRVNSAAFP
351 APIEKTISKT KGRPKAPQVY TIPPPKEQMA KDKVSLTCMI TDFFPEDITV
401 EWQWNGQPAE NYKNTQPIMD TDGSYFIYSK LNVQKSNWEA GNTFTCSVLH
451 EGLHNHHTEK SLSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:21)

The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-C HC including signal peptide encoding sequence is:

1 ATGGGATGGA ACTGGATCTT TCTCTTCCTC TTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CTACTCTGAG GTCCAGCTGC AACAATCTGG ACCTGAGCTG GTGAAGCCTG
101 GGACTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGTAAGGCTT CTGGATACAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TGCTACATGA ACTGGGTGAA GCAGAGCCAT GGGAAGAGCC TTGAATGGAT
201 TGGAGATATT AATCCTTTCA ACGGTGGTAC TACCTACAAC CAGAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAAT CCTCCAGCAC AGCCTACATG
301 CAGCTCAACA GCCTGACATC TGACGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATCCCATTAT TACTTCGATG GTAGAGTCCC TTGGGATGCT ATGGACTACT
401 GGGGTCAAGG AACCTCAGTC ACCGTCTCCT CAGCCAAAAC GACACCCCCA
451 TCTGTCTATC CACTGGCCCC TGGATCTGCT GCCCAAACTA ACTCCATGGT
501 GACCCTGGGA TGCCTGGTCA AGGGCTATTT CCCTGAGCCA GTGACAGTGA
551 CCTGGAACTC TGGATCCCTG TCCAGCGGTG TGCACACCTT CCCAGCTGTC
601 CTGCAGTCTG ACCTCTACAC TCTGAGCAGC TCAGTGACTG TCCCCTCCAG
651 CACCTGGCCC AGCGAGACCG TCACCTGCAA CGTTGCCCAC CCGGCCAGCA
701 GCACCAAGGT GGACAAGAAA ATTGTGCCCA GGGATTGTGG TTGTAAGCCT
751 TGCATATGTA CAGTCCCAGA AGTATCATCT GTCTTCATCT TCCCCCCAAA
801 GCCCAAGGAT GTGCTCACCA TTACTCTGAC TCCTAAGGTC ACGTGTGTTG

851 TGGTAGACAT CAGCAAGGAT GATCCCGAGG TCCAGTTCAG CTGGTTTGTA
901 GATGATGTGG AGGTGCACAC AGCTCAGACG CAACCCCGGG AGGAGCAGTT
951 CAACAGCACT TTCCGCTCAG TCAGTGAACT TCCCATCATG CACCAGGACT
1001 GGCTCAATGG CAAGGAGTTC AAATGCAGGG TCAACAGTGC AGCTTTCCCT
1051 GCCCCCATCG AGAAAACCAT CTCCAAAACC AAAGGCAGAC CGAAGGCTCC
1101 ACAGGTGTAC ACCATTCCAC CTCCCAAGGA GCAGATGGCC AAGGATAAAG
1151 TCAGTCTGAC CTGCATGATA ACAGACTTCT TCCCTGAAGA CATTACTGTG
1201 GAGTGGCAGT GGAATGGGCA GCCAGCGGAG AACTACAAGA ACACTCAGCC
1251 CATCATGGAC ACAGATGGCT CTTACTTCAT CTACAGCAAG CTCAATGTGC
1301 AGAAGAGCAA CTGGGAGGCA GGAAATACTT TCACCTGCTC TGTGTTACAT
1351 GAGGGCCTGC ACAACCACCA TACTGAGAAG AGCCTCTCCC ACTCTCCTGG
1401 TAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:22)

The CDR (complementarity determining region) sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-C are as follows:

CDR-H1: DCYMN (SEQ ID NO:45)

CDR-H2: DINPFNGGTTYNQKFKG (SEQ ID NO:46)

CDR-H3: SHYYFDGRVPWDAMDY (SEQ ID NO:47)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-C are:

CDR-L1: KASQSVDYDGDSYMN (SEQ ID NO:48)

CDR-L2: AASNLES (SEQ ID NO:49)

CDR-L3: QQSNEDPWT (SEQ ID NO:50)

Ab-A

Antibody A (also referred to herein as Ab-A and Mab-A) is a rabbit-mouse chimeric antibody which exhibits high affinity binding to sclerostin. The BIAcore binding pattern of Ab-A is shown in Figure 15.

Ab-A Light Chain

The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-A LC:

1 AQVLTQTPAS VSAAVGGTVT INCQSSQSVY DNNWLAWFQQ KPGQPPKLLI
51 YDASDLASGV PSRFSGSGSG TQFTLTISGV QCADAATYYC QGAYNDVIYA
101 FGGGTEVVVK ***RTDAAPTVSI FPPSSEQLTS GGASVVCFLN NFYPKDINVK***
151 WKIDGSERQN GVLNSWTDQD SKDSTYSMSS TLTLTKDEYE RHNSYTCEAT
201 HKTSTSPIVK SFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:23)

The nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-A LC:

1 GCGCAAGTGC TGACCCAGAC TCCAGCCTCC GTGTCTGCAG CTGTGGGAGG

51 CACAGTCACC ATCAATTGCC AGTCCAGTCA GAGTGTTTAT GATAACAACT
101 GGTTAGCCTG GTTTCAGCAG AAACCAGGGC AGCCTCCCAA GCTCCTGATT
151 TATGATGCAT CCGATCTGGC ATCTGGGGTC CCATCGCGGT TCAGTGGCAG
201 TGGATCTGGG ACACAGTTCA CTCTCACCAT CAGCGGCGTG CAGTGTGCCG
251 ATGCTGCCAC TTACTACTGT CAAGGCGCTT ATAATGATGT TATTTATGCT
301 TTCGGCGGAG GGACCGAGGT GGTGGTCAAA CGTACGGATG CTGCACCAAC
351 TGTATCCATC TTCCCACCAT CCAGTGAGCA GTTAACATCT GGAGGTGCCT
401 CAGTCGTGTG CTTCTTGAAC AACTTCTACC CCAAAGACAT CAATGTCAAG
451 TGGAAGATTG ATGGCAGTGA ACGACAAAAT GGCGTCCTGA ACAGTTGGAC
501 TGATCAGGAC AGCAAAGACA GCACCTACAG CATGAGCAGC ACCCTCACGT
551 TGACCAAGGA CGAGTATGAA CGACATAACA GCTATACCTG TGAGGCCACT
601 CACAAGACAT CAACTTCACC CATTGTCAAG AGCTTCAACA GGAATGAGTG
651 TTAG (SEQ ID NO:24)

The amino acid sequence of Ab-A LC including signal peptide is:

1 MDTRAPTQLL GLLLLWLPGA TFAQVLTQTP ASVSAAVGGT VTINCQSSQS
51 VYDNNWLAWF QQKPGQPPKL LIYDASDLAS GVPSRFSGSG SGTQFTLTIS
101 GVQCADAATY YCQGAYNDVI YAFGGGTEVV VKRTDAAPTV SIFPPSSEQL
151 TSGGASVVCF LNNFYPKDIN VKWKIDGSER QNGVLNSWTD QDSKDSTYSM
201 SSTLTLTKDE YERHNSYTCE ATHKTSTSPI VKSFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:25)

The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-A LC including signal peptide encoding sequence is:

1 ATGGACACGA GGGCCCCCAC TCAGCTGCTG GGGCTCCTGC TGCTCTGGCT
51 CCCAGGTGCC ACATTTGCGC AAGTGCTGAC CCAGACTCCA GCCTCCGTGT
101 CTGCAGCTGT GGGAGGCACA GTCACCATCA ATTGCCAGTC CAGTCAGAGT
151 GTTTATGATA ACAACTGGTT AGCCTGGTTT CAGCAGAAAC CAGGGCAGCC
201 TCCCAAGCTC CTGATTTATG ATGCATCCGA TCTGGCATCT GGGGTCCCAT
251 CGCGGTTCAG TGGCAGTGGA TCTGGGACAC AGTTCACTCT CACCATCAGC
301 GGCGTGCAGT GTGCCGATGC TGCCACTTAC TACTGTCAAG GCGCTTATAA
351 TGATGTTATT TATGCTTTCG GCGGAGGGAC CGAGGTGGTG GTCAAACGTA
401 CGGATGCTGC ACCAACTGTA TCCATCTTCC CACCATCCAG TGAGCAGTTA
451 ACATCTGGAG GTGCCTCAGT CGTGTGCTTC TTGAACAACT TCTACCCCAA
501 AGACATCAAT GTCAAGTGGA AGATTGATGG CAGTGAACGA CAAAATGGCG
551 TCCTGAACAG TTGGACTGAT CAGGACAGCA AAGACAGCAC CTACAGCATG
601 AGCAGCACCC TCACGTTGAC CAAGGACGAG TATGAACGAC ATAACAGCTA
651 TACCTGTGAG GCCACTCACA AGACATCAAC TTCACCCATT GTCAAGAGCT
701 TCAACAGGAA TGAGTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:26)

The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-A HC is:

1 QSLEESGGRL VTPGTPLTLT CTASGFSLSS YWMNWVRQAP GEGLEWIGTI
51 DSGGRTDYAS WAKGRFTISR TSTTMDLKMT SLTTGDTARY FCARNWNLWG
101 QGTLVTVSS*A* ***STKGPSVYPL APGSAAQTNS MVTLGCLVKG YFPEPVTVTW***
151 NSGSLSSGVH TFPAVLQSDL YTLSSSVTVP SSTWPSETVT CNVAHPASST
201 KVDKKIVPRD CGCKPCICTV PEVSSVFIFP PKPKDVLTIT LTPKVTCVVV
251 DISKDDPEVQ FSWFVDDVEV HTAQTQPREE QFNSTFRSVS ELPIMHQDWL
301 NGKEFKCRVN SAAFPAPIEK TISKTKGRPK APQVYTIPPP KEQMAKDKVS
351 LTCMITDFFP EDITVEWQWN GQPAENYKNT QPIMNTNGSY FVYSKLNVQK

401 SNWEAGNTFT CSVLHEGLHN HHTEKSLSHS PGK (SEQ ID NO:27)

The nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-A HC:

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   1 CAGTCGCTGG AGGAGTCCGG GGGTCGCCTG GTCACGCCTG GGACACCCCT
  51 GACACTCACC TGCACAGCCT CTGGATTCTC CCTCAGTAGT TATTGGATGA
 101 ACTGGGTCCG CCAGGCTCCA GGGGAGGGGC TGGAATGGAT CGGAACCATT
 151 GATTCTGGTG GTAGGACGGA CTACGCGAGC TGGGCAAAAG GCCGATTCAC
 201 CATCTCCAGA ACCTCGACTA CGATGGATCT GAAAATGACC AGTCTGACGA
 251 CCGGGGACAC GGCCCGTTAT TTCTGTGCCA GAAATTGGAA CTTGTGGGGC
 301 CAAGGCACCC TCGTCACCGT CTCGAGCGCT TCTACAAAGG GCCCATCTGT
 351 CTATCCACTG GCCCCTGGAT CTGCTGCCCA AACTAACTCC ATGGTGACCC
 401 TGGGATGCCT GGTCAAGGGC TATTTCCCTG AGCCAGTGAC AGTGACCTGG
 451 AACTCTGGAT CCCTGTCCAG CGGTGTGCAC ACCTTCCCAG CTGTCCTGCA
 501 GTCTGACCTC TACACTCTGA GCAGCTCAGT GACTGTCCCC TCCAGCACCT
 551 GGCCCAGCGA GACCGTCACC TGCAACGTTG CCCACCCGGC CAGCAGCACC
 601 AAGGTGGACA AGAAAATTGT GCCCAGGGAT TGTGGTTGTA AGCCTTGCAT
 651 ATGTACAGTC CCAGAAGTAT CATCTGTCTT CATCTTCCCC CCAAAGCCCA
 701 AGGATGTGCT CACCATTACT CTGACTCCTA AGGTCACGTG TGTTGTGGTA
 751 GACATCAGCA AGGATGATCC CGAGGTCCAG TTCAGCTGGT TTGTAGATGA
 801 TGTGGAGGTG CACACAGCTC AGACGCAACC CCGGGAGGAG CAGTTCAACA
 851 GCACTTTCCG CTCAGTCAGT GAACTTCCCA TCATGCACCA GGACTGGCTC
 901 AATGGCAAGG AGTTCAAATG CAGGGTCAAC AGTGCAGCTT TCCCTGCCCC
 951 CATCGAGAAA ACCATCTCCA AAACCAAAGG CAGACCGAAG GCTCCACAGG
1001 TGTACACCAT TCCACCTCCC AAGGAGCAGA TGGCCAAGGA TAAAGTCAGT
1051 CTGACCTGCA TGATAACAGA CTTCTTCCCT GAAGACATTA CTGTGGAGTG
1101 GCAGTGGAAT GGGCAGCCAG CGGAGAACTA CAAGAACACT CAGCCCATCA
1151 TGGACACAGA TGGCTCTTAC TTCGTCTACA GCAAGCTCAA TGTGCAGAAG
1201 AGCAACTGGG AGGCAGGAAA TACTTTCACC TGCTCTGTGT TACATGAGGG
1251 CCTGCACAAC CACCATACTG AGAAGAGCCT CTCCCACTCT CCTGGTAAAT
1301 GA (SEQ ID NO:28)
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The amino acid sequence of the Ab-A HC including signal peptide is:

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   1 METGLRWLLL VAVLKGVHCQ SLEESGGRLV TPGTPLTLTC TASGFSLSSY
  51 WMNWVRQAPG EGLEWIGTID SGGRTDYASW AKGRFTISRT STTMDLKMTS
 101 LTTGDTARYF CARNWNLWGQ GTLVTVSSAS TKGPSVYPLA PGSAAQTNSM
 151 VTLGCLVKGY FPEPVTVTWN SGSLSSGVHT FPAVLQSDLY TLSSSVTVPS
 201 STWPSETVTC NVAHPASSTK VDKKIVPRDC GCKPCICTVP EVSSVFIFPP
 251 KPKDVLTITL TPKVTCVVVD ISKDDPEVQF SWFVDDVEVH TAQTQPREEQ
 301 FNSTFRSVSE LPIMHQDWLN GKEFKCRVNS AAFPAPIEKT ISKTKGRPKA
 351 PQVYTIPPPK EQMAKDKVSL TCMITDFFPE DITVEWQWNG QPAENYKNTQ
 401 PIMNTNGSYF VYSKLNVQKS NWEAGNTFTC SVLHEGLHNH HTEKSLSHSP
 451 GK (SEQ ID NO:29)
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The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-A HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

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   1 ATGGAGACTG GGCTGCGCTG GCTTCTCCTG GTCGCTGTGC TCAAAGGTGT
  51 CCACTGTCAG TCGCTGGAGG AGTCCGGGGG TCGCCTGGTC ACGCCTGGGA
 101 CACCCCTGAC ACTCACCTGC ACAGCCTCTG GATTCTCCCT CAGTAGTTAT
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151 TGGATGAACT GGGTCCGCCA GGCTCCAGGG GAGGGGCTGG AATGGATCGG
201 AACCATTGAT TCTGGTGGTA GGACGGACTA CGCGAGCTGG GCAAAAGGCC
251 GATTCACCAT CTCCAGAACC TCGACTACGA TGGATCTGAA AATGACCAGT
301 CTGACGACCG GGGACACGGC CCGTTATTTC TGTGCCAGAA ATTGGAACTT
351 GTGGGGCCAA GGCACCCTCG TCACCGTCTC GAGCGCTTCT ACAAAGGGCC
401 CATCTGTCTA TCCACTGGCC CCTGGATCTG CTGCCCAAAC TAACTCCATG
451 GTGACCCTGG GATGCCTGGT CAAGGGCTAT TTCCCTGAGC CAGTGACAGT
501 GACCTGGAAC TCTGGATCCC TGTCCAGCGG TGTGCACACC TTCCCAGCTG
551 TCCTGCAGTC TGACCTCTAC ACTCTGAGCA GCTCAGTGAC TGTCCCCTCC
601 AGCACCTGGC CCAGCGAGAC CGTCACCTGC AACGTTGCCC ACCCGGCCAG
651 CAGCACCAAG GTGGACAAGA AAATTGTGCC CAGGGATTGT GGTTGTAAGC
701 CTTGCATATG TACAGTCCCA GAAGTATCAT CTGTCTTCAT CTTCCCCCCA
751 AAGCCCAAGG ATGTGCTCAC CATTACTCTG ACTCCTAAGG TCACGTGTGT
801 TGTGGTAGAC ATCAGCAAGG ATGATCCCGA GGTCCAGTTC AGCTGGTTTG
851 TAGATGATGT GGAGGTGCAC ACAGCTCAGA CGCAACCCCG GGAGGAGCAG
901 TTCAACAGCA CTTTCCGCTC AGTCAGTGAA CTTCCCATCA TGCACCAGGA
951 CTGGCTCAAT GGCAAGGAGT TCAAATGCAG GGTCAACAGT GCAGCTTTCC
1001 CTGCCCCCAT CGAGAAAACC ATCTCCAAAA CCAAAGGCAG ACCGAAGGCT
1051 CCACAGGTGT ACACCATTCC ACCTCCCAAG GAGCAGATGG CCAAGGATAA
1101 AGTCAGTCTG ACCTGCATGA TAACAGACTT CTTCCCTGAA GACATTACTG
1151 TGGAGTGGCA GTGGAATGGG CAGCCAGCGG AGAACTACAA GAACACTCAG
1201 CCCATCATGG ACACAGATGG CTCTTACTTC GTCTACAGCA AGCTCAATGT
1251 GCAGAAGAGC AACTGGGAGG CAGGAAATAC TTTCACCTGC TCTGTGTTAC
1301 ATGAGGGCCT GCACAACCAC CATACTGAGA AGAGCCTCTC CCACTCTCCT
1351 GGTAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:30)

The CDR (complementarity determining region) sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-A are as follows:

CDR-H1: SYWMN (SEQ ID NO:51)

CDR-H2: TIDSGGRTDYASWAKG (SEQ ID NO:52)

CDR-H3: NWNL (SEQ ID NO:53)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-A are:

CDR-L1: QSSQSVYDNNWLA (SEQ ID NO:54)

CDR-L2: DASDLAS (SEQ ID NO:55)

CDR-L3: QGAYNDVIYA (SEQ ID NO:56)

Ab-A was humanized, and is referred to as Antibody 1 (also referred to herein as Ab-1), having the following sequences:

The nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-1 LC variable region including signal peptide encoding sequence is

ATGGACACGAGGGCCCCCACTCAGCTGCTGGGGCTCCTGCTGCTCTGGCTCCCAGGT
GCCACATTTGCTCAAGTTCTGACCCAGAGTCCAAGCAGTCTCTCCGCCAGCGTAGGC

GATCGTGTGACTATTACCTGTCAATCTAGTCAGAGCGTGTATGATAACAATTGGCTG
GCGTGGTACCAGCAAAAACCGGGCAAAGCCCCGAAGCTGCTCATCTATGACGCGTC
CGATCTGGCTAGCGGTGTGCCAAGCCGTTTCAGTGGCAGTGGCAGCGGTACTGACT
TTACCCTCACAATTTCGTCTCTCCAGCCGGAAGATTTCGCCACTTACTATTGTCAAG
GTGCTTACAACGATGTGATTTATGCCTTCGGTCAGGGCACTAAAGTAGAAATCAAA
CGT (SEQ ID NO:74)

The amino acid sequence of Ab-1 LC variable region including signal peptide is:

MDTRAPTQLLGLLLLWLPGATFAQVLTQSPSSLSASVGDRVTITCQSSQSVYDNNWLA
WYQQKPGKAPKLLIYDASDLASGVPSRFSGSGSGTDFTLTISSLQPEDFATYYCQGAYN
DVIYAFGQGTKVEIKR (SEQ ID NO:75)

The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-1 HC variable region including signal peptide encoding sequence is:

ATGGAGACTGGGCTGCGCTGGCTTCTCCTGGTCGCTGTGCTCAAAGGTGTCCACTGT
GAGGTGCAGCTGTTGGAGTCTGGAGGCGGGCTTGTCCAGCCTGGAGGGAGCCTGCG
TCTCTCTTGTGCAGCAAGCGGCTTCAGCTTATCCTCTTACTGGATGAATTGGGTGCG
GCAGGCACCTGGGAAGGGCCTGGAGTGGGTGGGCACCATTGATTCCGGAGGCCGTA
CAGACTACGCGTCTTGGGCAAAGGGCCGTTTCACCATTTCCCGCGACAACTCCAAA
AATACCATGTACCTCCAGATGAACTCTCTCCGCGCAGAGGACACAGCACGTTATTA
CTGTGCACGCAACTGGAATCTGTGGGGTCAAGGTACTCTTGTAACAGTCTCGAGC
(SEQ ID NO:76)

Amino acid sequence of Ab-1 HC variable region including signal peptide

METGLRWLLLVAVLKGVHCEVQLLESGGGLVQPGGSLRLSCAASGFSLSSYWMNWVR
QAPGKGLEWVGTIDSGGRTDYASWAKGRFTISRDNSKNTMYLQMNSLRAEDTARYYC
ARNWNLWGQGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:77)

The CDR (complementarity determining region) sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-1 are as follows:

CDR-H1: SYWMN (SEQ ID NO:51)

CDR-H2: TIDSGGRTDYASWAKG (SEQ ID NO:52)

CDR-H3: NWNL (SEQ ID NO:53)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-1 are:

CDR-L1: QSSQSVYDNNWLA (SEQ ID NO:54)

CDR-L2: DASDLAS (SEQ ID NO:55)

CDR-L3: QGAYNDVIYA (SEQ ID NO:56)

Ab-B

Antibody B (also referred to herein as Ab-B and Mab-B) is a mouse antibody which exhibits high affinity binding to sclerostin. The BIAcore binding pattern of Ab-B is shown in Figure 16.

Ab-B Light Chain

The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-B LC is:

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  1 QIVLTQSPTI VSASPGEKVT LICSASSSVS FVDWFQQKPG TSPKRWIYRT
 51 SNLGFGVPAR FSGGGSGTSH SLTISRMEAE DAATYYCQQR STYPPTFGAG
101 TKLELKRADA APTVSIFPPS SEQLTSGGAS VVCFLNNFYP KDINVKWKID
151 GSERQNGVLN SWTDQDSKDS TYSMSSTLTL TKDEYERHNS YTCEATHKTS
201 TSPIVKSFNR NEC (SEQ ID NO:31)
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The nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-B LC is:

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  1 CAAATTGTTC TCACCCAGTC TCCAACAATC GTGTCTGCAT CTCCAGGGGA
 51 GAAGGTCACC CTAATCTGCA GTGCCAGTTC AAGTGTAAGT TTCGTGGACT
101 GGTTCCAGCA GAAGCCAGGC ACTTCTCCCA AACGCTGGAT TTACAGAACA
151 TCCAACCTGG GTTTTGGAGT CCCTGCTCGC TTCAGTGGCG GTGGATCTGG
201 GACCTCTCAC TCTCTCACAA TCAGCCGAAT GGAGGCTGAA GATGCTGCCA
251 CTTATTACTG CCAGCAAAGG AGTACTTACC CACCCACGTT CGGTGCTGGG
301 ACCAAGCTGG AACTGAAACG GGCTGATGCT GCACCAACTG TATCCATCTT
351 CCCACCATCC AGTGAGCAGT TAACATCTGG AGGTGCCTCA GTCGTGTGCT
401 TCTTGAACAA CTTCTACCCC AAAGACATCA ATGTCAAGTG GAAGATTGAT
451 GGCAGTGAAC GACAAAATGG CGTCCTGAAC AGTTGGACTG ATCAGGACAG
501 CAAAGACAGC ACCTACAGCA TGAGCAGCAC CCTCACGTTG ACCAAGGACG
551 AGTATGAACG ACATAACAGC TATACCTGTG AGGCCACTCA CAAGACATCA
601 ACTTCACCCA TTGTCAAGAG CTTCAACAGG AATGAGTGTT AG (SEQ ID NO:32)
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The amino acid sequence of Ab-B LC including signal peptide is:

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  1 MHFQVQIFSF LLISASVIVS RGQIVLTQSP TIVSASPGEK VTLICSASSS
 51 VSFVDWFQQK PGTSPKRWIY RTSNLGFGVP ARFSGGGSGT SHSLTISRME
101 AEDAATYYCQ QRSTYPPTFG AGTKLELKRA DAAPTVSIFP PSSEQLTSGG
151 ASVVCFLNNF YPKDINVKWK IDGSERQNGV LNSWTDQDSK DSTYSMSSTL
201 TLTKDEYERH NSYTCEATHK TSTSPIVKSF NRNEC (SEQ ID NO:33)
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The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-B LC including signal peptide encoding sequence is:

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  1 ATGCATTTTC AAGTGCAGAT TTTCAGCTTC CTGCTAATCA GTGCCTCAGT
 51 CATAGTGTCC AGAGGGCAAA TTGTTCTCAC CCAGTCTCCA ACAATCGTGT
101 CTGCATCTCC AGGGGAGAAG GTCACCCTAA TCTGCAGTGC CAGTTCAAGT
151 GTAAGTTTCG TGGACTGGTT CCAGCAGAAG CCAGGCACTT CTCCCAAACG
201 CTGGATTTAC AGAACATCCA ACCTGGGTTT TGGAGTCCCT GCTCGCTTCA
251 GTGGCGGTGG ATCTGGGACC TCTCACTCTC TCACAATCAG CCGAATGGAG
301 GCTGAAGATG CTGCCACTTA TTACTGCCAG CAAAGGAGTA CTTACCCACC
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 351 CACGTTCGGT GCTGGGACCA AGCTGGAACT GAAACGGGCT GATGCTGCAC
 401 CAACTGTATC CATCTTCCCA CCATCCAGTG AGCAGTTAAC ATCTGGAGGT
 451 GCCTCAGTCG TGTGCTTCTT GAACAACTTC TACCCCAAAG ACATCAATGT
 501 CAAGTGGAAG ATTGATGGCA GTGAACGACA AAATGGCGTC CTGAACAGTT
 551 GGACTGATCA GGACAGCAAA GACAGCACCT ACAGCATGAG CAGCACCCTC
 601 ACGTTGACCA AGGACGAGTA TGAACGACAT AACAGCTATA CCTGTGAGGC
 651 CACTCACAAG ACATCAACTT CACCCATTGT CAAGAGCTTC AACAGGAATG
 701 AGTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:34)
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Ab-B Heavy Chain

The amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-B HC:

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   1 QVTLKESGPG ILQPSQTLSL TCSFSGFSLS TSGMGVGWIR HPSGKNLEWL
  51 AHIWWDDVKR YNPVLKSRLT ISKDTSNSQV FLKIANVDTA DTATYYCARI
 101 EDFDYDEEYY AMDYWGQGTS VIVSSAKTTP PSVYPLAPGS AAQTNSMVTL
 151 GCLVKGYFPE PVTVTWNSGS LSSGVHTFPA VLQSDLYTLS SSVTVPSSTW
 201 PSETVTCNVA HPASSTKVDK KIVPRDCGCK PCICTVPEVS SVFIFPPKPK
 251 DVLTITLTPK VTCVVVDISK DDPEVQFSWF VDDVEVHTAQ TQPREEQFNS
 301 TFRSVSELPI MHQDWLNGKE FKCRVNSAAF PAPIEKTISK TKGRPKAPQV
 351 YTIPPPKEQM AKDKVSLTCM ITDFFPEDIT VEWQWNGQPA ENYKNTQPIM
 401 DTDGSYFVYS KLNVQKSNWE AGNTFTCSVL HEGLHNHHTE KSLSHSPGK (SEQ
ID NO:35)
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The nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-B HC:

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   1 CAGGTTACTC TGAAAGAGTC TGGCCCTGGG ATATTGCAGC CCTCCCAGAC
  51 CCTCAGTCTG ACTTGTTCTT TCTCTGGGTT TTCACTGAGC ACTTCTGGTA
 101 TGGGTGTAGG CTGGATTCGT CACCCATCAG GGAAGAATCT GGAGTGGCTG
 151 GCACACATTT GGTGGGATGA TGTCAAGCGC TATAACCCAG TCCTGAAGAG
 201 CCGACTGACT ATCTCCAAGG ATACCTCCAA CAGCCAGGTA TTCCTCAAGA
 251 TCGCCAATGT GGACACTGCA GATACTGCCA CATACTACTG TGCTCGAATA
 301 GAGGACTTTG ATTACGACGA GGAGTATTAT GCTATGGACT ACTGGGGTCA
 351 AGGAACCTCA GTCATCGTCT CCTCAGCCAA AACGACACCC CCATCTGTCT
 401 ATCCACTGGC CCCTGGATCT GCTGCCCAAA CTAACTCCAT GGTGACCCTG
 451 GGATGCCTGG TCAAGGGCTA TTTCCCTGAG CCAGTGACAG TGACCTGGAA
 501 CTCTGGATCC CTGTCCAGCG GTGTGCACAC CTTCCCAGCT GTCCTGCAGT
 551 CTGACCTCTA CACTCTGAGC AGCTCAGTGA CTGTCCCCTC CAGCACCTGG
 601 CCCAGCGAGA CCGTCACCTG CAACGTTGCC CACCCGGCCA GCAGCACCAA
 651 GGTGGACAAG AAAATTGTGC CCAGGGATTG TGGTTGTAAG CCTTGCATAT
 701 GTACAGTCCC AGAAGTATCA TCTGTCTTCA TCTTCCCCCC AAAGCCCAAG
 751 GATGTGCTCA CCATTACTCT GACTCCTAAG GTCACGTGTG TTGTGGTAGA
 801 CATCAGCAAG GATGATCCCG AGGTCCAGTT CAGCTGGTTT GTAGATGATG
 851 TGGAGGTGCA CACAGCTCAG ACGCAACCCC GGGAGGAGCA GTTCAACAGC
 901 ACTTTCCGCT CAGTCAGTGA ACTTCCCATC ATGCACCAGG ACTGGCTCAA
 951 TGGCAAGGAG TTCAAATGCA GGGTCAACAG TGCAGCTTTC CCTGCCCCCA
1001 TCGAGAAAAC CATCTCCAAA ACCAAAGGCA GACCGAAGGC TCCACAGGTG
1051 TACACCATTC CACCTCCCAA GGAGCAGATG GCCAAGGATA AAGTCAGTCT
1101 GACCTGCATG ATAACAGACT TCTTCCCTGA AGACATTACT GTGGAGTGGC
1151 AGTGGAATGG GCAGCCAGCG GAGAACTACA AGAACACTCA GCCCATCATG
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1201 GACACAGATG GCTCTTACTT CGTCTACAGC AAGCTCAATG TGCAGAAGAG
1251 CAACTGGGAG GCAGGAAATA CTTTCACCTG CTCTGTGTTA CATGAGGGCC
1301 TGCACAACCA CCATACTGAG AAGAGCCTCT CCCACTCTCC TGGTAAATGA
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(SEQ ID NO:36)

The amino acid sequence of Ab-B HC including signal peptide:

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  1 MGRLTSSFLL LIVPAYVLSQ VTLKESGPGI LQPSQTLSLT CSFSGFSLST
 51 SGMGVGWIRH PSGKNLEWLA HIWWDDVKRY NPVLKSRLTI SKDTSNSQVF
101 LKIANVDTAD TATYYCARIE DFDYDEEYYA MDYWGQGTSV IVSSAKTTPP
151 SVYPLAPGSA AQTNSMVTLG CLVKGYFPEP VTVTWNSGSL SSGVHTFPAV
201 LQSDLYTLSS SVTVPSSTWP SETVTCNVAH PASSTKVDKK IVPRDCGCKP
251 CICTVPEVSS VFIFPPKPKD VLTITLTPKV TCVVVDISKD DPEVQFSWFV
301 DDVEVHTAQT QPREEQFNST FRSVSELPIM HQDWLNGKEF KCRVNSAAFP
351 APIEKTISKT KGRPKAPQVY TIPPPKEQMA KDKVSLTCMI TDFFPEDITV
401 EWQWNGQPAE NYKNTQPIMD TDGSYFVYSK LNVQKSNWEA GNTFTCSVLH
451 EGLHNHHTEK SLSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:37)
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The nucleic acid sequence of Ab-B HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

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  1 ATGGGCAGGC TTACTTCTTC ATTCCTGCTA CTGATTGTCC CTGCATATGT
 51 CCTGTCCCAG GTTACTCTGA AAGAGTCTGG CCCTGGGATA TTGCAGCCCT
101 CCCAGACCCT CAGTCTGACT TGTTCTTTCT CTGGGTTTTC ACTGAGCACT
151 TCTGGTATGG GTGTAGGCTG GATTCGTCAC CCATCAGGGA AGAATCTGGA
201 GTGGCTGGCA CACATTTGGT GGGATGATGT CAAGCGCTAT AACCCAGTCC
251 TGAAGAGCCG ACTGACTATC TCCAAGGATA CCTCCAACAG CCAGGTATTC
301 CTCAAGATCG CCAATGTGGA CACTGCAGAT ACTGCCACAT ACTACTGTGC
351 TCGAATAGAG GACTTTGATT ACGACGAGGA GTATTATGCT ATGGACTACT
401 GGGGTCAAGG AACCTCAGTC ATCGTCTCCT CAGCCAAAAC GACACCCCCA
451 TCTGTCTATC CACTGGCCCC TGGATCTGCT GCCCAAACTA ACTCCATGGT
501 GACCCTGGGA TGCCTGGTCA AGGGCTATTT CCCTGAGCCA GTGACAGTGA
551 CCTGGAACTC TGGATCCCTG TCCAGCGGTG TGCACACCTT CCCAGCTGTC
601 CTGCAGTCTG ACCTCTACAC TCTGAGCAGC TCAGTGACTG TCCCCTCCAG
651 CACCTGGCCC AGCGAGACCG TCACCTGCAA CGTTGCCCAC CCGGCCAGCA
701 GCACCAAGGT GGACAAGAAA ATTGTGCCCA GGGATTGTGG TTGTAAGCCT
751 TGCATATGTA CAGTCCCAGA AGTATCATCT GTCTTCATCT TCCCCCCAAA
801 GCCCAAGGAT GTGCTCACCA TTACTCTGAC TCCTAAGGTC ACGTGTGTTG
851 TGGTAGACAT CAGCAAGGAT GATCCCGAGG TCCAGTTCAG CTGGTTTGTA
901 GATGATGTGG AGGTGCACAC AGCTCAGACG CAACCCCGGG AGGAGCAGTT
951 CAACAGCACT TTCCGCTCAG TCAGTGAACT TCCCATCATG CACCAGGACT
1001 GGCTCAATGG CAAGGAGTTC AAATGCAGGG TCAACAGTGC AGCTTTCCCT
1051 GCCCCCATCG AGAAAACCAT CTCCAAAACC AAAGGCAGAC CGAAGGCTCC
1101 ACAGGTGTAC ACCATTCCAC CTCCCAAGGA GCAGATGGCC AAGGATAAAG
1151 TCAGTCTGAC CTGCATGATA ACAGACTTCT TCCCTGAAGA CATTACTGTG
1201 GAGTGGCAGT GGAATGGGCA GCCAGCGGAG AACTACAAGA ACACTCAGCC
1251 CATCATGGAC ACAGATGGCT CTTACTTCGT CTACAGCAAG CTCAATGTGC
1301 AGAAGAGCAA CTGGGAGGCA GGAAATACTT TCACCTGCTC TGTGTTACAT
1351 GAGGGCCTGC ACAACCACCA TACTGAGAAG AGCCTCTCCC ACTCTCCTGG
1401 TAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:38)
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The CDR (complementarity determining region) sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-B are as follows:

CDR-H1: TSGMGVG (SEQ ID NO:57)

CDR-H2: HIWWDDVKRYNPVLKS (SEQ ID NO:58)

CDR-H3: EDFDYDEEYYAMDY (SEQ ID NO:59)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-B are:

CDR-L1: SASSSVSFVD (SEQ ID NO:60)

CDR-L2: RTSNLGF (SEQ ID NO:61)

CDR-L3: QQRSTYPPT (SEQ ID NO:62)

Antibodies disclosed herein bind to regions of human sclerostin which are important for the *in vivo* activity of the protein. Binding of an antibody to sclerostin can be correlated with increases in, for example, the bone mineral density achieved by use of the antibody *in vivo* such as described in Examples 5 and 9 (mice) and Example 12 (monkey). Increases in at least one of bone formation, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength can also be achieved by use of the antibody *in vivo* such as described in Examples 5 and 9 (mice) and Example 12 (monkey). Since the binding of an antibody to sclerostin is primarily determined by its CDR sequences, an antibody for practicing the invention may be generated with all or some of the disclosed CDR sequences in an appropriate framework, wherein the antibody retains the ability to bind specifically to sclerostin, and can be expected to achieve increases in, for example, bone mineral density. Such antibodies are useful in the treatment of human or animal conditions that are caused by, associated with, or result in at least one of low bone formation, low bone mineral density, low bone mineral content, low bone mass, low bone quality and low bone strength. Methods of constructing and expressing antibodies and fragments thereof comprising CDR's of the present invention are known to those of skill in the art.

The present invention therefore relates in one embodiment to an isolated antibody, including Ab-A, or an antigen binding fragment thereof, which specifically binds to sclerostin and wherein the variable domain of the heavy chain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:51 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:52 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:53 for CDR-H3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a heavy chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:51 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:52 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:53 for CDR-H3.

When in antibodies of the invention a light chain is present the light chain may be any suitable complementary chain and may in particular be selected from a light chain wherein

the variable domain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:54 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:55 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:56 for CDR-L3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a light chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:54 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:55 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:56 for CDR-L3.

The present invention further relates to an isolated antibody, including Ab-B, or an antigen binding fragment hereof, which specifically binds to sclerostin and wherein the variable domain of the heavy chain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:57 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:58 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:59 for CDR-H3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a heavy chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:57 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:58 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:59 for CDR-H3.

When in antibodies of the invention a light chain is present the light chain may be any suitable complementary chain and may in particular be selected from a light chain wherein the variable domain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:60 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:61 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:62 for CDR-L3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a light chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:60 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:61 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:62 for CDR-L3.

The present invention still further relates to an isolated antibody, including Ab-C, or an antigen binding fragment hereof, which specifically binds to sclerostin and wherein the variable domain of the heavy chain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:45 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:46 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:47 for CDR-H3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a heavy chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:45 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:46 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:47 for CDR-H3.

When in antibodies of the invention a light chain is present the light chain may be any suitable complementary chain and may in particular be selected from a light chain wherein the variable domain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:48 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:49 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:50 for CDR-L3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a light chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:48 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:49 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:50 for CDR-L3.

The present invention also relates to an isolated antibody, including Ab-D, or an antigen binding fragment hereof, which specifically binds to sclerostin and wherein the variable domain of the heavy chain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:39 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:40 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:41 for CDR-H3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a heavy chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:39 for CDR-H1, SEQ ID NO:40 for CDR-H2 and SEQ ID NO:41 for CDR-H3.

When in antibodies of the invention a light chain is present the light chain may be any suitable complementary chain and may in particular be selected from a light chain wherein the variable domain comprises at least one CDR having the sequences given in SEQ ID NO:42 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:43 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:44 for CDR-L3. The antibody or antigen binding fragment thereof may comprise a light chain variable domain in which the CDRs consist of at least one of the peptides of SEQ ID NO:42 for CDR-L1, SEQ ID NO:43 for CDR-L2 and SEQ ID NO:44 for CDR-L3.

Additional anti-sclerostin antibodies are described below. For some of the amino acid sequences the complementarity-determining regions (CDRs) are boxed-shaded and the constant regions are in bold-italics.

Ab-2

The sequences of the Antibody 2 (also referred to as Ab-2) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-2 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-2 LC:

1 QIVLSQSPAI LSTSPGEKVT MTCRASSSVY YMHWYQQKPG SSPKPWIYAT
51 SNLASGVPVR FSGSGSGTSY SLTITRVEAE DAATYYCQQW SSDPLTFGAG
101 TKLELK***RADA APTVSIFPPS SEQLTSGGAS VVCFLNNFYP KDINVKWKID***
151 GSERQNGVLN SWTDQDSKDS TYSMSSTLTL TKDEYERHNS YTCEATHKTS
201 TSPIVKSFNR NEC (SEQ ID NO:117)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-2 LC:

1 CAAATTGTTC TCTCCCAGTC TCCAGCAATC CTGTCTACAT CTCCAGGGGA
51 GAAGGTCACA ATGACTTGCA GGGCCAGCTC AAGTGTATAT TACATGCACT
101 GGTACCAGCA GAAGCCAGGA TCCTCCCCCA AACCCTGGAT TTATGCCACA
151 TCCAACCTGG CTTCTGGAGT CCCTGTTCGC TTCAGTGGCA GTGGGTCTGG
201 GACCTCTTAC TCTCTCACAA TCACCAGAGT GGAGGCTGAA GATGCTGCCA
251 CTTATTACTG CCAGCAGTGG AGTAGTGACC CACTCACGTT CGGTGCTGGG

301 ACCAAGCTGG AGCTGAAACG GGCTGATGCT GCACCAACTG TATCCATCTT
351 CCCACCATCC AGTGAGCAGT TAACATCTGG AGGTGCCTCA GTCGTGTGCT
401 TCTTGAACAA CTTCTACCCC AAAGACATCA ATGTCAAGTG GAAGATTGAT
451 GGCAGTGAAC GACAAAATGG CGTCCTGAAC AGTTGGACTG ATCAGGACAG
501 CAAAGACAGC ACCTACAGCA TGAGCAGCAC CCTCACGTTG ACCAAGGACG
551 AGTATGAACG ACATAACAGC TATACCTGTG AGGCCACTCA CAAGACATCA
601 ACTTCACCCA TTGTCAAGAG CTTCAACAGG AATGAGTGTT AG (SEQ ID NO:118)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-2 LC including signal peptide:

1 *MDFQVQIFSF LLISASVIMS RGQIVLSQSP AILSTSPGEK VTMTCRASSS*
51 VYYMHWYQQK PGSSPKPWIY ATSNLASGVP VRFSGSGSGT SYSLTITRVE
101 AEDAATYYCQ QWSSDPLTFG AGTKLELKRA DAAPTVSIFP PSSEQLTSGG
151 ASVVCFLNNF YPKDINVKWK IDGSERQNGV LNSWTDQDSK DSTYSMSSTL
201 TLTKDEYERH NSYTCEATHK TSTSPIVKSF NRNEC (SEQ ID NO:119)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-2 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGATTTTC AAGTGCAGAT TTTCAGCTTC CTGCTAATCA GTGCTTCAGT
51 CATTATGTCC AGGGGACAAA TTGTTCTCTC CCAGTCTCCA GCAATCCTGT
101 CTACATCTCC AGGGGAGAAG GTCACAATGA CTTGCAGGGC CAGCTCAAGT
151 GTATATTACA TGCACTGGTA CCAGCAGAAG CCAGGATCCT CCCCCAAACC
201 CTGGATTTAT GCCACATCCA ACCTGGCTTC TGGAGTCCCT GTTCGCTTCA
251 GTGGCAGTGG GTCTGGGACC TCTTACTCTC TCACAATCAC CAGAGTGGAG
301 GCTGAAGATG CTGCCACTTA TTACTGCCAG CAGTGGAGTA GTGACCCACT
351 CACGTTCGGT GCTGGGACCA AGCTGGAGCT GAAACGGGCT GATGCTGCAC
401 CAACTGTATC CATCTTCCCA CCATCCAGTG AGCAGTTAAC ATCTGGAGGT
451 GCCTCAGTCG TGTGCTTCTT GAACAACTTC TACCCCAAAG ACATCAATGT
501 CAAGTGGAAG ATTGATGGCA GTGAACGACA AAATGGCGTC CTGAACAGTT
551 GGACTGATCA GGACAGCAAA GACAGCACCT ACAGCATGAG CAGCACCCTC
601 ACGTTGACCA AGGACGAGTA TGAACGACAT AACAGCTATA CCTGTGAGGC
651 CACTCACAAG ACATCAACTT CACCCATTGT CAAGAGCTTC AACAGGAATG
701 AGTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:120)

Ab-2 Heavy Chain

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-2 HC:

1 EVQVQQSGPE LVKPGASVKL SCTASGFNIK DYFIHWVKQR PEQGLEWIGR
51 LDPEDGESDY APKFQDKAIM TADTSSNTAY LQLRSLTSED TAIYYCERED
101 YDGTYTFFPY WGQGTLVTVS A*AKTTPPSVY PLAPGSAAQT NSMVTLGCLV*
151 KGYFPEPVTV TWNSGSLSSG VHTFPAVLQS DLYTLSSSVT VPSSTWPSET
201 VTCNVAHPAS STKVDKKIVP RDCGCKPCIC TVPEVSSVFI FPPKPKDVLT
251 ITLTPKVTCV VVDISKDDPE VQFSWFVDDV EVHTAQTQPR EEQFNSTFRS
301 VSELPIMHQD WLNGKEFKCR VNSAAFPAPI EKTISKTKGR PKAPQVYTIP
351 PPKEQMAKDK VSLTCMITDF FPEDITVEWQ WNGQPAENYK NTQPIMDTDG
401 SYFIYSKLNV QKSNWEAGNT FTCSVLHEGL HNHHTEKSLS HSPGK (SEQ ID NO:121)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-2 HC:

1 GAGGTTCAGG TGCAGCAGTC TGGGCCAGAA CTTGTGAAGC CAGGGGCCTC
51 AGTCAAGTTG TCCTGCACAG CTTCTGGCTT CAACATTAAA GACTACTTTA
101 TACACTGGGT GAAGCAGAGG CCTGAACAGG GCCTGGAGTG GATTGGAAGG
151 CTTGATCCTG AGGATGGTGA AAGTGATTAT GCCCCGAAGT TCCAGGACAA
201 GGCCATTATG ACAGCAGACA CATCATCCAA CACAGCCTAT CTTCAGCTCA
251 GAAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC ACTGCCATCT ATTATTGTGA GAGAGAGGAC
301 TACGATGGTA CCTACACCTT TTTTCCTTAC TGGGGCCAAG GGACTCTGGT
351 CACTGTCTCT GCAGCCAAAA CGACACCCCC ATCTGTCTAT CCACTGGCCC
401 CTGGATCTGC TGCCCAAACT AACTCCATGG TGACCCTGGG ATGCCTGGTC
451 AAGGGCTATT TCCCTGAGCC AGTGACAGTG ACCTGGAACT CTGGATCCCT
501 GTCCAGCGGT GTGCACACCT TCCCAGCTGT CCTGCAGTCT GACCTCTACA
551 CTCTGAGCAG CTCAGTGACT GTCCCCTCCA GCACCTGGCC CAGCGAGACC
601 GTCACCTGCA ACGTTGCCCA CCCGGCCAGC AGCACCAAGG TGGACAAGAA
651 AATTGTGCCC AGGGATTGTG GTTGTAAGCC TTGCATATGT ACAGTCCCAG
701 AAGTATCATC TGTCTTCATC TTCCCCCCAA AGCCCAAGGA TGTGCTCACC
751 ATTACTCTGA CTCCTAAGGT CACGTGTGTT GTGGTAGACA TCAGCAAGGA
801 TGATCCCGAG GTCCAGTTCA GCTGGTTTGT AGATGATGTG GAGGTGCACA
851 CAGCTCAGAC GCAACCCCGG GAGGAGCAGT TCAACAGCAC TTTCCGCTCA
901 GTCAGTGAAC TTCCCATCAT GCACCAGGAC TGGCTCAATG GCAAGGAGTT
951 CAAATGCAGG GTCAACAGTG CAGCTTTCCC TGCCCCCATC GAGAAAACCA
1001 TCTCCAAAAC CAAAGGCAGA CCGAAGGCTC CACAGGTGTA CACCATTCCA
1051 CCTCCCAAGG AGCAGATGGC CAAGGATAAA GTCAGTCTGA CCTGCATGAT
1101 AACAGACTTC TTCCCTGAAG ACATTACTGT GGAGTGGCAG TGGAATGGGC
1151 AGCCAGCGGA GAACTACAAG AACACTCAGC CCATCATGGA CACAGATGGC
1201 TCTTACTTCA TCTACAGCAA GCTCAATGTG CAGAAGAGCA ACTGGGAGGC
1251 AGGAAATACT TTCACCTGCT CTGTGTTACA TGAGGGCCTG CACAACCACC
1301 ATACTGAGAA GAGCCTCTCC CACTCTCCTG GTAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:122)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-2 HC including signal peptide:

1 MKCSWVIFFL MAVVTGVNSE VQVQQSGPEL VKPGASVKLS CTASGFNIKD
51 YFIHWVKQRP EQGLEWIGRL DPEDGESDYA PKFQDKAIMT ADTSSNTAYL
101 QLRSLTSEDT AIYYCEREDY DGTYTFFPYW GQGTLVTVSA AKTTPPSVYP
151 LAPGSAAQTN SMVTLGCLVK GYFPEPVTVT WNSGSLSSGV HTFPAVLQSD
201 LYTLSSSVTV PSSTWPSETV TCNVAHPASS TKVDKKIVPR DCGCKPCICT
251 VPEVSSVFIF PPKPKDVLTI TLTPKVTCVV VDISKDDPEV QFSWFVDDVE
301 VHTAQTQPRE EQFNSTFRSV SELPIMHQDW LNGKEFKCRV NSAAFPAPIE
351 KTISKTKGRP KAPQVYTIPP PKEQMAKDKV SLTCMITDFF PEDITVEWQW
401 NGQPAENYKN TQPIMDTDGS YFIYSKLNVQ KSNWEAGNTF TCSVLHEGLH
451 NHHTEKSLSH SPGK (SEQ ID NO:123)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-2 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGAAATGCA GCTGGGTCAT CTTCTTCCTG ATGGCAGTGG TTACAGGGGT
51 CAATTCAGAG GTTCAGGTGC AGCAGTCTGG GCCAGAACTT GTGAAGCCAG
101 GGGCCTCAGT CAAGTTGTCC TGCACAGCTT CTGGCTTCAA CATTAAAGAC
151 TACTTTATAC ACTGGGTGAA GCAGAGGCCT GAACAGGGCC TGGAGTGGAT
201 TGGAAGGCTT GATCCTGAGG ATGGTGAAAG TGATTATGCC CCGAAGTTCC
251 AGGACAAGGC CATTATGACA GCAGACACAT CATCCAACAC AGCCTATCTT
301 CAGCTCAGAA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACACT GCCATCTATT ATTGTGAGAG
351 AGAGGACTAC GATGGTACCT ACACCTTTTT TCCTTACTGG GGCCAAGGGA
401 CTCTGGTCAC TGTCTCTGCA GCCAAAACGA CACCCCCATC TGTCTATCCA
451 CTGGCCCCTG GATCTGCTGC CCAAACTAAC TCCATGGTGA CCCTGGGATG

501 CCTGGTCAAG GGCTATTTCC CTGAGCCAGT GACAGTGACC TGGAACTCTG
551 GATCCCTGTC CAGCGGTGTG CACACCTTCC CAGCTGTCCT GCAGTCTGAC
601 CTCTACACTC TGAGCAGCTC AGTGACTGTC CCCTCCAGCA CCTGGCCCAG
651 CGAGACCGTC ACCTGCAACG TTGCCCACCC GGCCAGCAGC ACCAAGGTGG
701 ACAAGAAAAT TGTGCCCAGG GATTGTGGTT GTAAGCCTTG CATATGTACA
751 GTCCCAGAAG TATCATCTGT CTTCATCTTC CCCCCAAAGC CCAAGGATGT
801 GCTCACCATT ACTCTGACTC CTAAGGTCAC GTGTGTTGTG GTAGACATCA
851 GCAAGGATGA TCCCGAGGTC CAGTTCAGCT GGTTTGTAGA TGATGTGGAG
901 GTGCACACAG CTCAGACGCA ACCCCGGGAG GAGCAGTTCA ACAGCACTTT
951 CCGCTCAGTC AGTGAACTTC CCATCATGCA CCAGGACTGG CTCAATGGCA
1001 AGGAGTTCAA ATGCAGGGTC AACAGTGCAG CTTTCCCTGC CCCCATCGAG
1051 AAAACCATCT CCAAAACCAA AGGCAGACCG AAGGCTCCAC AGGTGTACAC
1101 CATTCCACCT CCCAAGGAGC AGATGGCCAA GGATAAAGTC AGTCTGACCT
1151 GCATGATAAC AGACTTCTTC CCTGAAGACA TTACTGTGGA GTGGCAGTGG
1201 AATGGGCAGC CAGCGGAGAA CTACAAGAAC ACTCAGCCCA TCATGGACAC
1251 AGATGGCTCT TACTTCATCT ACAGCAAGCT CAATGTGCAG AAGAGCAACT
1301 GGGAGGCAGG AAATACTTTC ACCTGCTCTG TGTTACATGA GGGCCTGCAC
1351 AACCACCATA CTGAGAAGAG CCTCTCCCAC TCTCCTGGTA AATGA (SEQ ID NO:124)

Ab-3

The sequences of the Antibody 3 (also referred to herein as Ab-3) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-3 Light Chain

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-3 LC:

1 EIVLTQSPAL MAASPGEKVT ITCSVSSTIS SNHLHWFQQK SDTSPKPWIY
51 GTSNLASGVP VRFSGSGSGT SYSLTISSME AEDAATYYCQ QWSSYPLTFG
101 AGTKLELR*RA DAAPTVSIFP PSSEQLTSGG ASVVCFLNNF YPKDINVKWK*
151 IDGSERQNGV LNSWTDQDSK DSTYSMSSTL TLTKDEYERH NSYTCEATHK
201 TSTSPIVKSF NRNEC (SEQ ID NO:125)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-3 LC:

1 GAAATTGTGC TCACCCAGTC TCCAGCACTC ATGGCTGCAT CTCCGGGGGA
51 GAAGGTCACC ATCACCTGCA GTGTCAGTTC AACTATAAGT TCCAACCACT
101 TGCACTGGTT CCAGCAGAAG TCAGACACCT CCCCCAAACC CTGGATTTAT
151 GGCACATCCA ACCTGGCTTC TGGAGTCCCT GTTCGCTTCA GTGGCAGTGG
201 ATCTGGGACC TCTTATTCTC TCACAATCAG CAGCATGGAG GCTGAGGATG
251 CTGCCACTTA TTACTGTCAA CAGTGGAGTA GTTACCCACT CACGTTCGGC
301 GCTGGGACCA AGCTGGAGCT GAGACGGGCT GATGCTGCAC CAACTGTATC
351 CATCTTCCCA CCATCCAGTG AGCAGTTAAC ATCTGGAGGT GCCTCAGTCG
401 TGTGCTTCTT GAACAACTTC TACCCCAAAG ACATCAATGT CAAGTGGAAG
451 ATTGATGGCA GTGAACGACA AAATGGCGTC CTGAACAGTT GGACTGATCA
501 GGACAGCAAA GACAGCACCT ACAGCATGAG CAGCACCCTC ACGTTGACCA
551 AGGACGAGTA TGAACGACAT AACAGCTATA CCTGTGAGGC CACTCACAAG
601 ACATCAACTT CACCCATTGT CAAGAGCTTC AACAGGAATG AGTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:126)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-3 LC including signal peptide:

1 MDFHVQIFSF MLISVTVILS SGEIVLTQSP ALMAASPGEK VTITCSVSST
51 ISSNHLHWFQ QKSDTSPKPW IYGTSNLASG VPVRFSGSGS GTSYSLTISS
101 MEAEDAATYY CQQWSSYPLT FGAGTKLELR RADAAPTVSI FPPSSEQLTS
151 GGASVVCFLN NFYPKDINVK WKIDGSERQN GVLNSWTDQD SKDSTYSMSS
201 TLTLTKDEYE RHNSYTCEAT HKTSTSPIVK SFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:127)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-3 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGATTTTC ATGTGCAGAT TTTCAGCTTC ATGCTAATCA GTGTCACAGT
51 CATTTTGTCC AGTGGAGAAA TTGTGCTCAC CCAGTCTCCA GCACTCATGG
101 CTGCATCTCC GGGGGAGAAG GTCACCATCA CCTGCAGTGT CAGTTCAACT
151 ATAAGTTCCA ACCACTTGCA CTGGTTCCAG CAGAAGTCAG ACACCTCCCC
201 CAAACCCTGG ATTTATGGCA CATCCAACCT GGCTTCTGGA GTCCCTGTTC
251 GCTTCAGTGG CAGTGGATCT GGGACCTCTT ATTCTCTCAC AATCAGCAGC
301 ATGGAGGCTG AGGATGCTGC CACTTATTAC TGTCAACAGT GGAGTAGTTA
351 CCCACTCACG TTCGGCGCTG GGACCAAGCT GGAGCTGAGA CGGGCTGATG
401 CTGCACCAAC TGTATCCATC TTCCCACCAT CCAGTGAGCA GTTAACATCT
451 GGAGGTGCCT CAGTCGTGTG CTTCTTGAAC AACTTCTACC CCAAAGACAT
501 CAATGTCAAG TGGAAGATTG ATGGCAGTGA ACGACAAAAT GGCGTCCTGA
551 ACAGTTGGAC TGATCAGGAC AGCAAAGACA GCACCTACAG CATGAGCAGC
601 ACCCTCACGT TGACCAAGGA CGAGTATGAA CGACATAACA GCTATACCTG
651 TGAGGCCACT CACAAGACAT CAACTTCACC CATTGTCAAG AGCTTCAACA
701 GGAATGAGTG TTAG (SEQ ID NO:128)

Ab-3 Heavy Chain

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-3 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGAE LVRPGALVKL SCTASDFNIK DFYLHWMRQR PEQGLDWIGR
51 IDPENGDTLY DPKFQDKATL TTDTSSNTAY LQLSGLTSET TAVYYCSREA
101 DYFHDGTSYW YFDVWGAGTT ITVSS***AKTTP PSVYPLAPGS AAQTNSMVTL***
151 GCLVKGYFPE PVTVTWNSGS LSSGVHTFPA VLQSDLYTLS SSVTVPSSTW
201 PSETVTCNVA HPASSTKVDK KIVPRDCGCK PCICTVPEVS SVFIFPPKPK
251 DVLTITLTPK VTCVVVDISK DDPEVQFSWF VDDVEVHTAQ TQPREEQFNS
301 TFRSVSELPI MHQDWLNGKE FKCRVNSAAF PAPIEKTISK TKGRPKAPQV
351 YTIPPPKEQM AKDKVSLTCM ITDFFPEDIT VEWQWNGQPA ENYKNTQPIM
401 DTDGSYFIYS KLNVQKSNWE AGNTFTCSVL HEGLHNHHTE KSLSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:129)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-3 HC:

1 GAGGTTCAGC TGCAGCAGTC TGGGGCTGAA CTTGTGAGGC CAGGGGCCTT
51 AGTCAAGTTG TCCTGCACAG CTTCTGACTT CAACATTAAA GACTTCTATC
101 TACACTGGAT GAGGCAGCGG CCTGAACAGG GCCTGGACTG GATTGGAAGG
151 ATTGATCCTG AGAATGGTGA TACTTTATAT GACCCGAAGT TCCAGGACAA
201 GGCCACTCTT ACAACAGACA CATCCTCCAA CACAGCCTAC CTGCAGCTCA
251 GCGGCCTGAC ATCTGAGACC ACTGCCGTCT ATTACTGTTC TAGAGAGGCG
301 GATTATTTCC ACGATGGTAC CTCCTACTGG TACTTCGATG TCTGGGGCGC
351 AGGGACCACA ATCACCGTCT CCTCAGCCAA AACGACACCC CCATCTGTCT
401 ATCCACTGGC CCCTGGATCT GCTGCCCAAA CTAACTCCAT GGTGACCCTG
451 GGATGCCTGG TCAAGGGCTA TTTCCCTGAG CCAGTGACAG TGACCTGGAA
501 CTCTGGATCC CTGTCCAGCG GTGTGCACAC CTTCCCAGCT GTCCTGCAGT
551 CTGACCTCTA CACTCTGAGC AGCTCAGTGA CTGTCCCCTC CAGCACCTGG

601 CCCAGCGAGA CCGTCACCTG CAACGTTGCC CACCCGGCCA GCAGCACCAA
651 GGTGGACAAG AAAATTGTGC CCAGGGATTG TGGTTGTAAG CCTTGCATAT
701 GTACAGTCCC AGAAGTATCA TCTGTCTTCA TCTTCCCCCC AAAGCCCAAG
751 GATGTGCTCA CCATTACTCT GACTCCTAAG GTCACGTGTG TTGTGGTAGA
801 CATCAGCAAG GATGATCCCG AGGTCCAGTT CAGCTGGTTT GTAGATGATG
851 TGGAGGTGCA CACAGCTCAG ACGCAACCCC GGGAGGAGCA GTTCAACAGC
901 ACTTTCCGCT CAGTCAGTGA ACTTCCCATC ATGCACCAGG ACTGGCTCAA
951 TGGCAAGGAG TTCAAATGCA GGGTCAACAG TGCAGCTTTC CCTGCCCCCA
1001 TCGAGAAAAC CATCTCCAAA ACCAAAGGCA GACCGAAGGC TCCACAGGTG
1051 TACACCATTC CACCTCCCAA GGAGCAGATG GCCAAGGATA AAGTCAGTCT
1101 GACCTGCATG ATAACAGACT TCTTCCCTGA AGACATTACT GTGGAGTGGC
1151 AGTGGAATGG GCAGCCAGCG GAGAACTACA AGAACACTCA GCCCATCATG
1201 GACACAGATG GCTCTTACTT CATCTACAGC AAGCTCAATG TGCAGAAGAG
1251 CAACTGGGAG GCAGGAAATA CTTTCACCTG CTCTGTGTTA CATGAGGGCC
1301 TGCACAACCA CCATACTGAG AAGAGCCTCT CCCACTCTCC TGGTAAATGA
(SEQ ID NO:130)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-3 HC including signal peptide:

1 MKCSWVIFFL MAVVTGVNSE VQLQQSGAEL VRPGALVKLS CTASDFNIKD
51 FYLHWMRQRP EQGLDWIGRI DPENGDTLYD PKFQDKATLT TDTSSNTAYL
101 QLSGLTSETT AVYYCSREAD YFHDGTSYWY FDVWGAGTTI TVSSAKTTPP
151 SVYPLAPGSA AQTNSMVTLG CLVKGYFPEP VTVTWNSGSL SSGVHTFPAV
201 LQSDLYTLSS SVTVPSSTWP SETVTCNVAH PASSTKVDKK IVPRDCGCKP
251 CICTVPEVSS VFIFPPKPKD VLTITLTPKV TCVVVDISKD DPEVQFSWFV
301 DDVEVHTAQT QPREEQFNST FRSVSELPIM HQDWLNGKEF KCRVNSAAFP
351 APIEKTISKT KGRPKAPQVY TIPPPKEQMA KDKVSLTCMI TDFFPEDITV
401 EWQWNGQPAE NYKNTQPIMD TDGSYFIYSK LNVQKSNWEA GNTFTCSVLH
451 EGLHNHHTEK SLSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:131)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-3 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGAAATGCA GCTGGGTCAT CTTCTTCCTG ATGGCAGTGG TTACAGGGGT
51 CAATTCAGAG GTTCAGCTGC AGCAGTCTGG GGCTGAACTT GTGAGGCCAG
101 GGGCCTTAGT CAAGTTGTCC TGCACAGCTT CTGACTTCAA CATTAAAGAC
151 TTCTATCTAC ACTGGATGAG GCAGCGGCCT GAACAGGGCC TGGACTGGAT
201 TGGAAGGATT GATCCTGAGA ATGGTGATAC TTTATATGAC CCGAAGTTCC
251 AGGACAAGGC CACTCTTACA ACAGACACAT CCTCCAACAC AGCCTACCTG
301 CAGCTCAGCG GCCTGACATC TGAGACCACT GCCGTCTATT ACTGTTCTAG
351 AGAGGCGGAT TATTTCCACG ATGGTACCTC CTACTGGTAC TTCGATGTCT
401 GGGGCGCAGG GACCACAATC ACCGTCTCCT CAGCCAAAAC GACACCCCCA
451 TCTGTCTATC CACTGGCCCC TGGATCTGCT GCCCAAACTA ACTCCATGGT
501 GACCCTGGGA TGCCTGGTCA AGGGCTATTT CCCTGAGCCA GTGACAGTGA
551 CCTGGAACTC TGGATCCCTG TCCAGCGGTG TGCACACCTT CCCAGCTGTC
601 CTGCAGTCTG ACCTCTACAC TCTGAGCAGC TCAGTGACTG TCCCCTCCAG
651 CACCTGGCCC AGCGAGACCG TCACCTGCAA CGTTGCCCAC CCGGCCAGCA
701 GCACCAAGGT GGACAAGAAA ATTGTGCCCA GGGATTGTGG TTGTAAGCCT
751 TGCATATGTA CAGTCCCAGA AGTATCATCT GTCTTCATCT TCCCCCCAAA
801 GCCCAAGGAT GTGCTCACCA TTACTCTGAC TCCTAAGGTC ACGTGTGTTG
851 TGGTAGACAT CAGCAAGGAT GATCCCGAGG TCCAGTTCAG CTGGTTTGTA
901 GATGATGTGG AGGTGCACAC AGCTCAGACG CAACCCCGGG AGGAGCAGTT
951 CAACAGCACT TTCCGCTCAG TCAGTGAACT TCCCATCATG CACCAGGACT

1001 GGCTCAATGG CAAGGAGTTC AAATGCAGGG TCAACAGTGC AGCTTTCCCT
1051 GCCCCCATCG AGAAAACCAT CTCCAAAACC AAAGGCAGAC CGAAGGCTCC
1101 ACAGGTGTAC ACCATTCCAC CTCCCAAGGA GCAGATGGCC AAGGATAAAG
1151 TCAGTCTGAC CTGCATGATA ACAGACTTCT TCCCTGAAGA CATTACTGTG
1201 GAGTGGCAGT GGAATGGGCA GCCAGCGGAG AACTACAAGA ACACTCAGCC
1251 CATCATGGAC ACAGATGGCT CTTACTTCAT CTACAGCAAG CTCAATGTGC
1301 AGAAGAGCAA CTGGGAGGCA GGAAATACTT TCACCTGCTC TGTGTTACAT
1351 GAGGGCCTGC ACAACCACCA TACTGAGAAG AGCCTCTCCC ACTCTCCTGG
1401 TAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:132)

Ab-4

The sequences of the Antibody 4 (also referred to herein as Ab-4) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-4 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-4 LC:

1 DIQMTQITSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY
51 TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKLEIK***RAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI***
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:133)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-4 LC:

1 GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAT TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT CTCTGGGAGA
51 CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC AATTATTTAA
101 ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT TATCTTCTAC
151 ACATCAAGAT TACTCTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTGGGTC
201 TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA GAAGATTTTG
251 CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC TTTCGGAGGG
301 GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT
451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:134)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-4 LC including signal peptide:

1 MMSSAQFLGL LLLCFQGTRC DIQMTQITSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS
51 NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ
101 EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG GTKLEIKRAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA
151 SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT
201 LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:135)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-4 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGATGTCCT CTGCTCAGTT CCTTGGTCTC CTGTTGCTCT GTTTTCAAGG
51 TACCAGATGT GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAT TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT

101 CTCTGGGAGA CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC
151 AATTATTTAA ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT
201 TATCTTCTAC ACATCAAGAT TACTCTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG
251 GCAGTGGGTC TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA
301 GAAGATTTTG CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC
351 TTTCGGAGGG GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA
401 CTGTATCCAT CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC
451 TCAGTCGTGT GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA
501 GTGGAAGATT GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA
551 CTGATCAGGA CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG
601 TTGACCAAGG ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC
651 TCACAAGACA TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT
701 GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:136)

Ab-4 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-4 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LMKPGASVKM SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVKQN QGKTLEWIGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQKFKGKATL TVDKSSTTAY MELRSLTSED SAVYYCARLG
101 YDDIYDDWYF DVWGAGTTVT VSS***AKTTPPS VYPLAPGSAA QTNSMVTLGC***
151 LVKGYFPEPV TVTWNSGSLS SGVHTFPAVL QSDLYTLSSS VTVPSSTWPS
201 ETVTCNVAHP ASSTKVDKKI VPRDCGCKPC ICTVPEVSSV FIFPPKPKDV
251 LTITLTPKVT CVVVDISKDD PEVQFSWFVD DVEVHTAQTQ PREEQFNSTF
301 RSVSELPIMH QDWLNGKEFK CRVNSAAFPA PIEKTISKTK GRPKAPQVYT
351 IPPPKEQMAK DKVSLTCMIT DFFPEDITVE WQWNGQPAEN YKNTQPIMDT
401 DGSYFIYSKL NVQKSNWEAG NTFTCSVLHE GLHNHHTEKS LSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:137)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-4 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAAC TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTAATGAAGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATA TACATTCACT GACTACAACA
101 TGCACTGGGT GAAGCAGAAC CAAGGAAAGA CCCTAGAGTG GATAGGAGAA
151 ATTAATCCTA ACAGTGGTGG TGCTGGCTAC AACCAGAAGT TCAAGGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCCTCCAC CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTCC
251 GCAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATTGGGC
301 TACGATGATA TCTACGACGA CTGGTACTTC GATGTCTGGG GCGCAGGGAC
351 CACGGTCACC GTCTCCTCAG CCAAAACGAC ACCCCCATCT GTCTATCCAC
401 TGGCCCCTGG ATCTGCTGCC CAAACTAACT CCATGGTGAC CCTGGGATGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG GCTATTTCCC TGAGCCAGTG ACAGTGACCT GGAACTCTGG
501 ATCCCTGTCC AGCGGTGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTGTCCTG CAGTCTGACC
551 TCTACACTCT GAGCAGCTCA GTGACTGTCC CCTCCAGCAC CTGGCCCAGC
601 GAGACCGTCA CCTGCAACGT TGCCCACCCG GCCAGCAGCA CCAAGGTGGA
651 CAAGAAAATT GTGCCCAGGG ATTGTGGTTG TAAGCCTTGC ATATGTACAG
701 TCCCAGAAGT ATCATCTGTC TTCATCTTCC CCCCAAAGCC CAAGGATGTG
751 CTCACCATTA CTCTGACTCC TAAGGTCACG TGTGTTGTGG TAGACATCAG
801 CAAGGATGAT CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAGCTG GTTTGTAGAT GATGTGGAGG
851 TGCACACAGC TCAGACGCAA CCCCGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACTTTC
901 CGCTCAGTCA GTGAACTTCC CATCATGCAC CAGGACTGGC TCAATGGCAA
951 GGAGTTCAAA TGCAGGGTCA ACAGTGCAGC TTTCCCTGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGCAGACCGA AGGCTCCACA GGTGTACACC

1051 ATTCCACCTC CCAAGGAGCA GATGGCCAAG GATAAAGTCA GTCTGACCTG
1101 CATGATAACA GACTTCTTCC CTGAAGACAT TACTGTGGAG TGGCAGTGGA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC AGCGGAGAAC TACAAGAACA CTCAGCCCAT CATGGACACA
1201 GATGGCTCTT ACTTCATCTA CAGCAAGCTC AATGTGCAGA AGAGCAACTG
1251 GGAGGCAGGA AATACTTTCA CCTGCTCTGT GTTACATGAG GGCCTGCACA
1301 ACCACCATAC TGAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCACT CTCCTGGTAA ATGA (SEQ ID NO:138)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-4 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSWTFLFL LSGTAGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL MKPGASVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWVKQNQ GKTLEWIGEI NPNSGGAGYN QKFKGKATLT VDKSSTTAYM
101 ELRSLTSEDS AVYYCARLGY DDIYDDWYFD VWGAGTTVTV SSAKTTPPSV
151 YPLAPGSAAQ TNSMVTLGCL VKGYFPEPVT VTWNSGSLSS GVHTFPAVLQ
201 SDLYTLSSSV TVPSSTWPSE TVTCNVAHPA SSTKVDKKIV PRDCGCKPCI
251 CTVPEVSSVF IFPPKPKDVL TITLTPKVTC VVVDISKDDP EVQFSWFVDD
301 VEVHTAQTQP REEQFNSTFR SVSELPIMHQ DWLNGKEFKC RVNSAAFPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG RPKAPQVYTI PPPKEQMAKD KVSLTCMITD FFPEDITVEW
401 QWNGQPAENY KNTQPIMDTD GSYFIYSKLN VQKSNWEAGN TFTCSVLHEG
451 LHNHHTEKSL SHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:139)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-4 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTGGACCTT TCTCTTCCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAACTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTA ATGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATATAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACAACATGC ACTGGGTGAA GCAGAACCAA GGAAAGACCC TAGAGTGGAT
201 AGGAGAAATT AATCCTAACA GTGGTGGTGC TGGCTACAAC CAGAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CCTCCACCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTCCGCA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATTGGGCTAC GATGATATCT ACGACGACTG GTACTTCGAT GTCTGGGGCG
401 CAGGGACCAC GGTCACCGTC TCCTCAGCCA AAACGACACC CCCATCTGTC
451 TATCCACTGG CCCCTGGATC TGCTGCCCAA ACTAACTCCA TGGTGACCCT
501 GGGATGCCTG GTCAAGGGCT ATTTCCCTGA GCCAGTGACA GTGACCTGGA
551 ACTCTGGATC CCTGTCCAGC GGTGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TGTCCTGCAG
601 TCTGACCTCT ACACTCTGAG CAGCTCAGTG ACTGTCCCCT CCAGCACCTG
651 GCCCAGCGAG ACCGTCACCT GCAACGTTGC CCACCCGGCC AGCAGCACCA
701 AGGTGGACAA GAAAATTGTG CCCAGGGATT GTGGTTGTAA GCCTTGCATA
751 TGTACAGTCC CAGAAGTATC ATCTGTCTTC ATCTTCCCCC CAAAGCCCAA
801 GGATGTGCTC ACCATTACTC TGACTCCTAA GGTCACGTGT GTTGTGGTAG
851 ACATCAGCAA GGATGATCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAGCTGGTT TGTAGATGAT
901 GTGGAGGTGC ACACAGCTCA GACGCAACCC CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACTTTCCGC TCAGTCAGTG AACTTCCCAT CATGCACCAG GACTGGCTCA
1001 ATGGCAAGGA GTTCAAATGC AGGGTCAACA GTGCAGCTTT CCCTGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGC AGACCGAAGG CTCCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCATT CCACCTCCCA AGGAGCAGAT GGCCAAGGAT AAAGTCAGTC
1151 TGACCTGCAT GATAACAGAC TTCTTCCCTG AAGACATTAC TGTGGAGTGG
1201 CAGTGGAATG GGCAGCCAGC GGAGAACTAC AAGAACACTC AGCCCATCAT
1251 GGACACAGAT GGCTCTTACT TCATCTACAG CAAGCTCAAT GTGCAGAAGA
1301 GCAACTGGGA GGCAGGAAAT ACTTTCACCT GCTCTGTGTT ACATGAGGGC
1351 CTGCACAACC ACCATACTGA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCACTCTC CTGGTAAATG

1401 A (SEQ ID NO:140)

Ab-4 was humanized to generate Ab-5.

Ab-5

The sequences of the Antibody 5 (also referred to herein as Ab-5) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-5 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-5 LC:

1 DIQMTQSPSS LSASVGDRVT ITCRASQDIS NYLNWYQQKP GKAPKLLIYY
51 TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD FTLTISSLQP EDFATYYCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKVEIK***RTV AAPSVFIFPP SDEQLKSGTA SVVCLLNNFY PREAKVQWKV***
151 DNALQSGNSQ ESVTEQDSKD STYSLSSTLT LSKADYEKHK VYACEVTHQG
201 LSSPVTKSFN RGEC (SEQ ID NO:141)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-5 LC:

1 GACATCCAGA TGACCCAGTC TCCATCCTCC CTCTCCGCAT CCGTAGGCGA
51 CCGCGTAACC ATAACATGTA GAGCATCTCA AGATATTTCC AACTATTTGA
101 ATTGGTACCA ACAAAAACCC GGCAAAGCAC CTAAACTCCT CATTTACTAT
151 ACATCAAGAC TCCTCTCCGG CGTTCCATCA CGATTCTCAG GCTCCGGCTC
201 CGGCACAGAT TTCACACTCA CTATTTCCTC CCTCCAACCA GAAGATTTTG
251 CAACCTATTA CTGTCAACAA GGCGATACAC TCCCATACAC ATTCGGCGGC
301 GGCACAAAAG TTGAAATTAA ACGTACGGTG GCTGCACCAT CTGTCTTCAT
351 CTTCCCGCCA TCTGATGAGC AGTTGAAATC TGGAACTGCC TCTGTTGTGT
401 GCCTGCTGAA TAACTTCTAT CCCAGAGAGG CCAAAGTACA GTGGAAGGTG
451 GATAACGCCC TCCAATCGGG TAACTCCCAG GAGAGTGTCA CAGAGCAGGA
501 CAGCAAGGAC AGCACCTACA GCCTCAGCAG CACCCTGACG CTGAGCAAAG
551 CAGACTACGA GAAACACAAA GTCTACGCCT GCGAAGTCAC CCATCAGGGC
601 CTGAGCTCGC CCGTCACAAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGGGAGAGT GT (SEQ ID NO:142)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-5 LC including signal peptide:

1 *MDMRVPAQLL GLLLLWLRGA RC*DIQMTQSP SSLSASVGDR VTITCRASQD
51 ISNYLNWYQQ KPGKAPKLLI YYTSRLLSGV PSRFSGSGSG TDFTLTISSL
101 QPEDFATYYC QQGDTLPYTF GGGTKVEIKR TVAAPSVFIF PPSDEQLKSG
151 TASVVCLLNN FYPREAKVQW KVDNALQSGN SQESVTEQDS KDSTYSLSST
201 LTLSKADYEK HKVYACEVTH QGLSSPVTKS FNRGEC (SEQ ID NO:143)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-5 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACATGA GGGTCCCCGC TCAGCTCCTG GGGCTCCTGC TACTCTGGCT
51 CCGAGGTGCC AGATGTGACA TCCAGATGAC CCAGTCTCCA TCCTCCCTCT
101 CCGCATCCGT AGGCGACCGC GTAACCATAA CATGTAGAGC ATCTCAAGAT
151 ATTTCCAACT ATTTGAATTG GTACCAACAA AAACCCGGCA AAGCACCTAA
201 ACTCCTCATT TACTATACAT CAAGACTCCT CTCCGGCGTT CCATCACGAT
251 TCTCAGGCTC CGGCTCCGGC ACAGATTTCA CACTCACTAT TTCCTCCCTC
301 CAACCAGAAG ATTTTGCAAC CTATTACTGT CAACAAGGCG ATACACTCCC
351 ATACACATTC GGCGGCGGCA CAAAAGTTGA AATTAAACGT ACGGTGGCTG
401 CACCATCTGT CTTCATCTTC CCGCCATCTG ATGAGCAGTT GAAATCTGGA
451 ACTGCCTCTG TTGTGTGCCT GCTGAATAAC TTCTATCCCA GAGAGGCCAA

501 AGTACAGTGG AAGGTGGATA ACGCCCTCCA ATCGGGTAAC TCCCAGGAGA
551 GTGTCACAGA GCAGGACAGC AAGGACAGCA CCTACAGCCT CAGCAGCACC
601 CTGACGCTGA GCAAAGCAGA CTACGAGAAA CACAAAGTCT ACGCCTGCGA
651 AGTCACCCAT CAGGGCCTGA GCTCGCCCGT CACAAAGAGC TTCAACAGGG
701 GAGAGTGT (SEQ ID NO:144)

Ab-5 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-5 HC:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVRQA PGQGLEWMGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQKFKGRVTM TTDTSTSTAY MELRSLRSDD TAVYYCARLG
101 YDDIYDDWYF DVWGQGTTVT VSS***ASTKGPS VFPLAPCSRS TSESTAALGC***
151 LVKDYFPEPV TVSWNSGALT SGVHTFPAVL QSSGLYSLSS VVTVPSSNFG
201 TQTYTCNVDH KPSNTKVDKT VERKCCVECP PCPAPPVAGP SVFLFPPKPK
251 DTLMISRTPE VTCVVVDVSH EDPEVQFNWY VDGVEVHNAK TKPREEQFNS
301 TFRVVSVLTV VHQDWLNGKE YKCKVSNKGL PAPIEKTISK TKGQPREPQV
351 YTLPPSREEM TKNQVSLTCL VKGFYPSDIA VEWESNGQPE NNYKTTPPML
401 DSDGSFFLYS KLTVDKSRWQ QGNVFSCSVM HEALHNHYTQ KSLSLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:145)

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-5 HC without carboxy-terminal lysine:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVRQA PGQGLEWMGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQKFKGRVTM TTDTSTSTAY MELRSLRSDD TAVYYCARLG
101 YDDIYDDWYF DVWGQGTTVT VSS***ASTKGPS VFPLAPCSRS TSESTAALGC***
151 LVKDYFPEPV TVSWNSGALT SGVHTFPAVL QSSGLYSLSS VVTVPSSNFG
201 TQTYTCNVDH KPSNTKVDKT VERKCCVECP PCPAPPVAGP SVFLFPPKPK
251 DTLMISRTPE VTCVVVDVSH EDPEVQFNWY VDGVEVHNAK TKPREEQFNS
301 TFRVVSVLTV VHQDWLNGKE YKCKVSNKGL PAPIEKTISK TKGQPREPQV
351 YTLPPSREEM TKNQVSLTCL VKGFYPSDIA VEWESNGQPE NNYKTTPPML
401 DSDGSFFLYS KLTVDKSRWQ QGNVFSCSVM HEALHNHYTQ KSLSLSPG (SEQ ID NO:392)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-5 HC:

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGAG CGGCGCCGAG GTAAAAAAAC CAGGAGCAAG
51 CGTTAAAGTT TCTTGTAAAG CAAGCGGATA TACATTTACA GATTACAACA
101 TGCATTGGGT AAGACAAGCG CCAGGACAAG GATTGGAATG GATGGGCGAA
151 ATTAACCCTA ATAGTGGAGG AGCAGGCTAC AATCAAAAAT TCAAAGGGAG
201 AGTTACAATG ACAACAGACA CAAGCACTTC AACAGCATAT ATGGAACTGC
251 GATCACTTAG AAGCGACGAT ACAGCTGTAT ACTATTGCGC ACGACTTGGG
301 TATGATGATA TATATGATGA CTGGTATTTC GATGTTTGGG GCCAGGGAAC
351 AACAGTTACC GTCTCTAGTG CCTCCACCAA GGGCCCATCG GTCTTCCCCC
401 TGGCGCCCTG CTCCAGGAGC ACCTCCGAGA GCACAGCGGC CCTGGGCTGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG ACTACTTCCC CGAACCGGTG ACGGTGTCGT GGAACTCAGG
501 CGCTCTGACC AGCGGCGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTGTCCTA CAGTCCTCAG
551 GACTCTACTC CCTCAGCAGC GTGGTGACCG TGCCCTCCAG CAACTTCGGC
601 ACCCAGACCT ACACCTGCAA CGTAGATCAC AAGCCCAGCA ACACCAAGGT
651 GGACAAGACA GTTGAGCGCA AATGTTGTGT CGAGTGCCCA CCGTGCCCAG
701 CACCACCTGT GGCAGGACCG TCAGTCTTCC TCTTCCCCCC AAAACCCAAG

751 GACACCCTCA TGATCTCCCG GACCCCTGAG GTCACGTGCG TGGTGGTGGA
801 CGTGAGCCAC GAAGACCCCG AGGTCCAGTT CAACTGGTAC GTGGACGGCG
851 TGGAGGTGCA TAATGCCAAG ACAAAGCCAC GGGAGGAGCA GTTCAACAGC
901 ACGTTCCGTG TGGTCAGCGT CCTCACCGTT GTGCACCAGG ACTGGCTGAA
951 CGGCAAGGAG TACAAGTGCA AGGTCTCCAA CAAAGGCCTC CCAGCCCCCA
1001 TCGAGAAAAC CATCTCCAAA ACCAAAGGGC AGCCCCGAGA ACCACAGGTG
1051 TACACCCTGC CCCCATCCCG GGAGGAGATG ACCAAGAACC AGGTCAGCCT
1101 GACCTGCCTG GTCAAAGGCT TCTACCCCAG CGACATCGCC GTGGAGTGGG
1151 AGAGCAATGG GCAGCCGGAG AACAACTACA AGACCACACC TCCCATGCTG
1201 GACTCCGACG GCTCCTTCTT CCTCTACAGC AAGCTCACCG TGGACAAGAG
1251 CAGGTGGCAG CAGGGGAACG TCTTCTCATG CTCCGTGATG CATGAGGCTC
1301 TGCACAACCA CTACACGCAG AAGAGCCTCT CCCTGTCTCC GGGTAAA (SEQ ID NO:146)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-5 HC including signal peptide:

1 MDWTWRILFL VAAATGAHSE VQLVQSGAEV KKPGASVKVS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWVRQAP GQGLEWMGEI NPNSGGAGYN QKFKGRVTMT TDTSTSTAYM
101 ELRSLRSDDT AVYYCARLGY DDIYDDWYFD VWGQGTTVTV SSASTKGPSV
151 FPLAPCSRST SESTAALGCL VKDYFPEPVT VSWNSGALTS GVHTFPAVLQ
201 SSGLYSLSSV VTVPSSNFGT QTYTCNVDHK PSNTKVDKTV ERKCCVECPP
251 CPAPPVAGPS VFLFPPKPKD TLMISRTPEV TCVVVDVSHE DPEVQFNWYV
301 DGVEVHNAKT KPREEQFNST FRVVSVLTVV HQDWLNGKEY KCKVSNKGLP
351 APIEKTISKT KGQPREPQVY TLPPSREEMT KNQVSLTCLV KGFYPSDIAV
401 EWESNGQPEN NYKTTPPMLD SDGSFFLYSK LTVDKSRWQQ GNVFSCSVMH
451 EALHNHYTQK SLSLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:147)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-5 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACTGGA CCTGGAGGAT CCTCTTCTTG GTGGCAGCAG CCACAGGAGC
51 CCACTCCGAG GTGCAGCTGG TGCAGAGCGG CGCCGAGGTA AAAAAACCAG
101 GAGCAAGCGT TAAAGTTTCT TGTAAAGCAA GCGGATATAC ATTTACAGAT
151 TACAACATGC ATTGGGTAAG ACAAGCGCCA GGACAAGGAT TGGAATGGAT
201 GGGCGAAATT AACCCTAATA GTGGAGGAGC AGGCTACAAT CAAAAATTCA
251 AAGGGAGAGT TACAATGACA ACAGACACAA GCACTTCAAC AGCATATATG
301 GAACTGCGAT CACTTAGAAG CGACGATACA GCTGTATACT ATTGCGCACG
351 ACTTGGGTAT GATGATATAT ATGATGACTG GTATTTCGAT GTTTGGGGCC
401 AGGGAACAAC AGTTACCGTC TCTAGTGCCT CCACCAAGGG CCCATCGGTC
451 TTCCCCCTGG CGCCCTGCTC CAGGAGCACC TCCGAGAGCA CAGCGGCCCT
501 GGGCTGCCTG GTCAAGGACT ACTTCCCCGA ACCGGTGACG GTGTCGTGGA
551 ACTCAGGCGC TCTGACCAGC GGCGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TGTCCTACAG
601 TCCTCAGGAC TCTACTCCCT CAGCAGCGTG GTGACCGTGC CCTCCAGCAA
651 CTTCGGCACC CAGACCTACA CCTGCAACGT AGATCACAAG CCCAGCAACA
701 CCAAGGTGGA CAAGACAGTT GAGCGCAAAT GTTGTGTCGA GTGCCCACCG
751 TGCCCAGCAC CACCTGTGGC AGGACCGTCA GTCTTCCTCT TCCCCCCAAA
801 ACCCAAGGAC ACCCTCATGA TCTCCCGGAC CCCTGAGGTC ACGTGCGTGG
851 TGGTGGACGT GAGCCACGAA GACCCCGAGG TCCAGTTCAA CTGGTACGTG
901 GACGGCGTGG AGGTGCATAA TGCCAAGACA AAGCCACGGG AGGAGCAGTT
951 CAACAGCACG TTCCGTGTGG TCAGCGTCCT CACCGTTGTG CACCAGGACT
1001 GGCTGAACGG CAAGGAGTAC AAGTGCAAGG TCTCCAACAA AGGCCTCCCA
1051 GCCCCCATCG AGAAAACCAT CTCCAAAACC AAAGGGCAGC CCCGAGAACC

1101 ACAGGTGTAC ACCCTGCCCC CATCCCGGGA GGAGATGACC AAGAACCAGG
1151 TCAGCCTGAC CTGCCTGGTC AAAGGCTTCT ACCCCAGCGA CATCGCCGTG
1201 GAGTGGGAGA GCAATGGGCA GCCGGAGAAC AACTACAAGA CCACACCTCC
1251 CATGCTGGAC TCCGACGGCT CCTTCTTCCT CTACAGCAAG CTCACCGTGG
1301 ACAAGAGCAG GTGGCAGCAG GGGAACGTCT TCTCATGCTC CGTGATGCAT
1351 GAGGCTCTGC ACAACCACTA CACGCAGAAG AGCCTCTCCC TGTCTCCGGG
1401 TAAA (SEQ ID NO:148)

Ab-5 Variable domains:

Ab-5 light chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 DIQMTQSPSS LSASVGDRVT ITCRASQDIS NYLNWYQQKP GKAPKLLIYY
51 TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD FTLTISSLQP EDFATYYCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKVEIK (SEQ ID NO:376)

Ab-5 light chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GACATCCAGA TGACCCAGTC TCCATCCTCC CTCTCCGCAT CCGTAGGCGA
51 CCGCGTAACC ATAACATGTA GAGCATCTCA AGATATTTCC AACTATTTGA
101 ATTGGTACCA ACAAAAACCC GGCAAAGCAC CTAAACTCCT CATTTACTAT
151 ACATCAAGAC TCCTCTCCGG CGTTCCATCA CGATTCTCAG GCTCCGGCTC
201 CGGCACAGAT TTCACACTCA CTATTTCCTC CCTCCAACCA GAAGATTTTG
251 CAACCTATTA CTGTCAACAA GGCGATACAC TCCCATACAC ATTCGGCGGC
301 GGCACAAAAG TTGAAATTAA A (SEQ ID NO:377)

Ab-5 heavy chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVRQA PGQGLEWMGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQKFKGRVTM TTDTSTSTAY MELRSLRSDD TAVYYCARLG
101 YDDIYDDWYF DVWGQGTTVT VSS (SEQ ID NO:378)

Ab-5 heavy chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGAG CGGCGCCGAG GTAAAAAAAC CAGGAGCAAG
51 CGTTAAAGTT TCTTGTAAAG CAAGCGGATA TACATTTACA GATTACAACA
101 TGCATTGGGT AAGACAAGCG CCAGGACAAG GATTGGAATG GATGGGCGAA
151 ATTAACCCTA ATAGTGGAGG AGCAGGCTAC AATCAAAAAT TCAAAGGGAG
201 AGTTACAATG ACAACAGACA CAAGCACTTC AACAGCATAT ATGGAACTGC
251 GATCACTTAG AAGCGACGAT ACAGCTGTAT ACTATTGCGC ACGACTTGGG
301 TATGATGATA TATATGATGA CTGGTATTTC GATGTTTGGG GCCAGGGAAC
351 AACAGTTACC GTCTCTAGT (SEQ ID NO:379)

The CDR (complementarity determining region) sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-5 are as follows:

CDR-H1: DYNMH (SEQ ID NO:245)

CDR-H2: EINPNSGGAGYNQKFKG (SEQ ID NO:246)

CDR-H3: LGYDDIYDDWYFDV (SEQ ID NO:247)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-5 are:

CDR-L1: RASQDISNYLN (SEQ ID NO:78)

CDR-L2: YTSRLLS (SEQ ID NO:79)

CDR-L3: QQGDTLPYT (SEQ ID NO:80)

Ab-6

The sequences of the Antibody 6 (also referred to herein as Ab-6) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-6 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-6 LC:

1 DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVT ISCRASQDIS NYLNWFQQKP DGTLKLLIFY
51 TSRLHSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTISNLEQ EDIATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKLEIR***RAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI***
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:149)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-6 LC:

1 GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT CTCTGGGAGA
51 CAGAGTCACC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA GGACATTAGC AATTATTTAA
101 ACTGGTTTCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTC TTAAACTCCT GATCTTCTAC
151 ACATCAAGAT TACACTCAGG AGTTCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTGGGTC
201 TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTAGCAA CCTGGAGCAA GAAGATATTG
251 CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGTGATACGC TTCCGTACAC GTTCGGGGGG
301 GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAG ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT
451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:150)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-6 LC including signal peptide:

1 MMSSAQFLGL LLLCFQGTRC DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVT ISCRASQDIS
51 NYLNWFQQKP DGTLKLLIFY TSRLHSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTISNLEQ
101 EDIATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG GTKLEIRRAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA
151 SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT
201 LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:151)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-6 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGATGTCCT CTGCTCAGTT CCTTGGTCTC CTGTTGCTCT GTTTTCAAGG
51 TACCAGATGT GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT
101 CTCTGGGAGA CAGAGTCACC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA GGACATTAGC
151 AATTATTTAA ACTGGTTTCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTC TTAAACTCCT
201 GATCTTCTAC ACATCAAGAT TACACTCAGG AGTTCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG
251 GCAGTGGGTC TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTAGCAA CCTGGAGCAA
301 GAAGATATTG CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGTGATACGC TTCCGTACAC
351 GTTCGGGGGG GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAG ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA
401 CTGTATCCAT CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC
451 TCAGTCGTGT GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA
501 GTGGAAGATT GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA
551 CTGATCAGGA CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG
601 TTGACCAAGG ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC
651 TCACAAGACA TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT
701 GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:152)

Ab-6 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-6 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LMKPGASVKM SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVKQN QGKSLEWIGE
51 INPNSGGSGY NQKFKGKATL TVDKSSSTAY MELRSLTSED SAVYYCARLV
101 YDGSYEDWYF DVWGAGTTVT VSS*AKTTPPS VYPLAPGSAA QTNSMVTLGC*
151 LVKGYFPEPV TVTWNSGSLS SGVHTFPAVL QSDLYTLSSS VTVPSSTWPS
201 ETVTCNVAHP ASSTKVDKKI VPRDCGCKPC ICTVPEVSSV FIFPPKPKDV
251 LTITLTPKVT CVVVDISKDD PEVQFSWFVD DVEVHTAQTQ PREEQFNSTF
301 RSVSELPIMH QDWLNGKEFK CRVNSAAFPA PIEKTISKTK GRPKAPQVYT
351 IPPPKEQMAK DKVSLTCMIT DFFPEDITVE WQWNGQPAEN YKNTQPIMDT
401 DGSYFIYSKL NVQKSNWEAG NTFTCSVLHE GLHNHHTEKS LSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:153)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-6 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAGC TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTAATGAAGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATA CACATTCACT GACTACAACA
101 TGCACTGGGT GAAACAGAAC CAAGGAAAGA GCCTAGAGTG GATAGGAGAA
151 ATTAATCCTA ACAGTGGTGG TAGTGGCTAC AACCAAAAGT TCAAAGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCTTCCAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTCC
251 GCAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATTGGTC
301 TACGATGGCA GCTACGAGGA CTGGTACTTC GATGTCTGGG GCGCAGGGAC
351 CACGGTCACC GTCTCCTCAG CCAAAACGAC ACCCCCATCT GTCTATCCAC
401 TGGCCCCTGG ATCTGCTGCC CAAACTAACT CCATGGTGAC CCTGGGATGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG GCTATTTCCC TGAGCCAGTG ACAGTGACCT GGAACTCTGG
501 ATCCCTGTCC AGCGGTGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTGTCCTG CAGTCTGACC
551 TCTACACTCT GAGCAGCTCA GTGACTGTCC CCTCCAGCAC CTGGCCCAGC
601 GAGACCGTCA CCTGCAACGT TGCCCACCCG GCCAGCAGCA CCAAGGTGGA
651 CAAGAAAATT GTGCCCAGGG ATTGTGGTTG TAAGCCTTGC ATATGTACAG
701 TCCCAGAAGT ATCATCTGTC TTCATCTTCC CCCCAAAGCC CAAGGATGTG
751 CTCACCATTA CTCTGACTCC TAAGGTCACG TGTGTTGTGG TAGACATCAG
801 CAAGGATGAT CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAGCTG GTTTGTAGAT GATGTGGAGG
851 TGCACACAGC TCAGACGCAA CCCCGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACTTTC

901 CGCTCAGTCA GTGAACTTCC CATCATGCAC CAGGACTGGC TCAATGGCAA
951 GGAGTTCAAA TGCAGGGTCA ACAGTGCAGC TTTCCCTGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGCAGACCGA AGGCTCCACA GGTGTACACC
1051 ATTCCACCTC CCAAGGAGCA GATGGCCAAG GATAAAGTCA GTCTGACCTG
1101 CATGATAACA GACTTCTTCC CTGAAGACAT TACTGTGGAG TGGCAGTGGA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC AGCGGAGAAC TACAAGAACA CTCAGCCCAT CATGGACACA
1201 GATGGCTCTT ACTTCATCTA CAGCAAGCTC AATGTGCAGA AGAGCAACTG
1251 GGAGGCAGGA AATACTTTCA CCTGCTCTGT GTTACATGAG GGCCTGCACA
1301 ACCACCATAC TGAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCACT CTCCTGGTAA ATGA (SEQ ID NO:154)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-6 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSWTFLFL LSGTAGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL MKPGASVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWVKQNQ GKSLEWIGEI NPNSGGSGYN QKFKGKATLT VDKSSSTAYM
101 ELRSLTSEDS AVYYCARLVY DGSYEDWYFD VWGAGTTVTV SSAKTTPPSV
151 YPLAPGSAAQ TNSMVTLGCL VKGYFPEPVT VTWNSGSLSS GVHTFPAVLQ
201 SDLYTLSSSV TVPSSTWPSE TVTCNVAHPA SSTKVDKKIV PRDCGCKPCI
251 CTVPEVSSVF IFPPKPKDVL TITLTPKVTC VVVDISKDDP EVQFSWFVDD
301 VEVHTAQTQP REEQFNSTFR SVSELPIMHQ DWLNGKEFKC RVNSAAFPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG RPKAPQVYTI PPPKEQMAKD KVSLTCMITD FFPEDITVEW
401 QWNGQPAENY KNTQPIMDTD GSYFIYSKLN VQKSNWEAGN TFTCSVLHEG
451 LHNHHTEKSL SHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:155)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-6 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTGGACCTT TCTCTTCCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAGCTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTA ATGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATACAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACAACATGC ACTGGGTGAA ACAGAACCAA GGAAAGAGCC TAGAGTGGAT
201 AGGAGAAATT AATCCTAACA GTGGTGGTAG TGGCTACAAC CAAAAGTTCA
251 AAGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CTTCCAGCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTCCGCA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATTGGTCTAC GATGGCAGCT ACGAGGACTG GTACTTCGAT GTCTGGGGCG
401 CAGGGACCAC GGTCACCGTC TCCTCAGCCA AAACGACACC CCCATCTGTC
451 TATCCACTGG CCCCTGGATC TGCTGCCCAA ACTAACTCCA TGGTGACCCT
501 GGGATGCCTG GTCAAGGGCT ATTTCCCTGA GCCAGTGACA GTGACCTGGA
551 ACTCTGGATC CCTGTCCAGC GGTGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TGTCCTGCAG
601 TCTGACCTCT ACACTCTGAG CAGCTCAGTG ACTGTCCCCT CCAGCACCTG
651 GCCCAGCGAG ACCGTCACCT GCAACGTTGC CCACCCGGCC AGCAGCACCA
701 AGGTGGACAA GAAAATTGTG CCCAGGGATT GTGGTTGTAA GCCTTGCATA
751 TGTACAGTCC CAGAAGTATC ATCTGTCTTC ATCTTCCCCC CAAAGCCCAA
801 GGATGTGCTC ACCATTACTC TGACTCCTAA GGTCACGTGT GTTGTGGTAG
851 ACATCAGCAA GGATGATCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAGCTGGTT TGTAGATGAT
901 GTGGAGGTGC ACACAGCTCA GACGCAACCC CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACTTTCCGC TCAGTCAGTG AACTTCCCAT CATGCACCAG GACTGGCTCA
1001 ATGGCAAGGA GTTCAAATGC AGGGTCAACA GTGCAGCTTT CCCTGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGC AGACCGAAGG CTCCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCATT CCACCTCCCA AGGAGCAGAT GGCCAAGGAT AAAGTCAGTC
1151 TGACCTGCAT GATAACAGAC TTCTTCCCTG AAGACATTAC TGTGGAGTGG
1201 CAGTGGAATG GGCAGCCAGC GGAGAACTAC AAGAACACTC AGCCCATCAT

1251 GGACACAGAT GGCTCTTACT TCATCTACAG CAAGCTCAAT GTGCAGAAGA
1301 GCAACTGGGA GGCAGGAAAT ACTTTCACCT GCTCTGTGTT ACATGAGGGC
1351 CTGCACAACC ACCATACTGA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCACTCTC CTGGTAAATG
1401 A (SEQ ID NO:156)

Ab-7

The sequences of the Antibody 7 (also referred to herein as Ab-7) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-7 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-7 LC:

1 DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVT ICCRASQVIT NYLYWYQQKP DGTFKLLIYY
51 TSRLHSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTISNLEQ EDIATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKLEIK***RAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI***
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:157)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-7 LC:

1 GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT CTCTGGGAGA
51 CAGAGTCACC ATCTGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA GGTCATTACC AATTATTTAT
101 ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT GATCTACTAC
151 ACATCAAGAT TACACTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTGGGTC
201 TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTAGCAA CCTGGAACAG GAAGATATTG
251 CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGTGATACGC TTCCGTACAC GTTCGGAGGG
301 GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT
451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GT (SEQ ID NO:158)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-7 LC including signal peptide:

1 MMSSAQFLGL LLLCFQGTRC DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVT ICCRASQVIT
51 NYLYWYQQKP DGTFKLLIYY TSRLHSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTISNLEQ
101 EDIATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG GTKLEIKRAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA
151 SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT
201 LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:159)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-7 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGATGTCCT CTGCTCAGTT CCTTGGTCTC CTGTTGCTCT GTTTTCAAGG
51 TACCAGATGT GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT
101 CTCTGGGAGA CAGAGTCACC ATCTGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA GGTCATTACC
151 AATTATTTAT ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT
201 GATCTACTAC ACATCAAGAT TACACTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG
251 GCAGTGGGTC TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTAGCAA CCTGGAACAG
301 GAAGATATTG CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGTGATACGC TTCCGTACAC

351 GTTCCGAGGG GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA
401 CTGTATCCAT CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC
451 TCAGTCGTGT GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA
501 GTGGAAGATT GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA
551 CTGATCAGGA CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG
601 TTGACCAAGG ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC
651 TCACAAGACA TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT
701 GT (SEQ ID NO:160)

Ab-7 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-7 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LMKPGASVKM SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWMKQN QGKSLEWIGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQQFKGKATL TVDKSSRTAY MELRSLTSED SAVYYCARLG
101 YVGNYEDWYF DVWGAGTTVT VSS***AKTTPPS VYPLAPGSAA QTNSMVTLGC***
151 LVKGYFPEPV TVTWNSGSLS SGVHTFPAVL QSDLYTLSSS VTVPSSTWPS
201 ETVTCNVAHP ASSTKVDKKI VPRDCGCKPC ICTVPEVSSV FIFPPKPKDV
251 LTITLTPKVT CVVVDISKDD PEVQFSWFVD DVEVHTAQTQ PREEQFNSTF
301 RSVSELPIMH QDWLNGKEFK CRVNSAAFPA PIEKTISKTK GRPKAPQVYT
351 IPPPKEQMAK DKVSLTCMIT DFFPEDITVE WQWNGQPAEN YKNTQPIMDT
401 DGSYFIYSKL NVQKSNWEAG NTFTCSVLHE GLHNHHTEKS LSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:161)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-7 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAGC TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTAATGAAGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATA CACATTCACT GACTACAACA
101 TGCACTGGAT GAAGCAGAAC CAAGGAAAGA GCCTAGAATG GATAGGAGAA
151 ATTAATCCTA ACAGTGGTGG TGCTGGCTAC AACCAGCAGT TCAAAGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCCTCCAG GACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTCC
251 GCAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATTGGGC
301 TACGTTGGTA ATTACGAGGA CTGGTACTTC GATGTCTGGG GCGCAGGGAC
351 CACGGTCACC GTCTCCTCAG CCAAAACGAC ACCCCCATCT GTCTATCCAC
401 TGGCCCCTGG ATCTGCTGCC CAAACTAACT CCATGGTGAC CCTGGGATGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG GCTATTTCCC TGAGCCAGTG ACAGTGACCT GGAACTCTGG
501 ATCCCTGTCC AGCGGTGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTGTCCTG CAGTCTGACC
551 TCTACACTCT GAGCAGCTCA GTGACTGTCC CCTCCAGCAC CTGGCCCAGC
601 GAGACCGTCA CCTGCAACGT TGCCCACCCG GCCAGCAGCA CCAAGGTGGA
651 CAAGAAAATT GTGCCCAGGG ATTGTGGTTG TAAGCCTTGC ATATGTACAG
701 TCCCAGAAGT ATCATCTGTC TTCATCTTCC CCCCAAAGCC CAAGGATGTG
751 CTCACCATTA CTCTGACTCC TAAGGTCACG TGTGTTGTGG TAGACATCAG
801 CAAGGATGAT CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAGCTG GTTTGTAGAT GATGTGGAGG
851 TGCACACAGC TCAGACGCAA CCCCGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACTTTC
901 CGCTCAGTCA GTGAACTTCC CATCATGCAC CAGGACTGGC TCAATGGCAA
951 GGAGTTCAAA TGCAGGGTCA ACAGTGCAGC TTTCCCTGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGCAGACCGA AGGCTCCACA GGTGTACACC
1051 ATTCCACCTC CCAAGGAGCA GATGGCCAAG GATAAAGTCA GTCTGACCTG
1101 CATGATAACA GACTTCTTCC CTGAAGACAT TACTGTGGAG TGGCAGTGGA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC AGCGGAGAAC TACAAGAACA CTCAGCCCAT CATGGACACA
1201 GATGGCTCTT ACTTCATCTA CAGCAAGCTC AATGTGCAGA AGAGCAACTG
1251 GGAGGCAGGA AATACTTTCA CCTGCTCTGT GTTACATGAG GGCCTGCACA

1301 ACCACCATAC TGAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCACT CTCCTGGTAA A (SEQ ID NO:162)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-7 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSWTFLFL LSGTAGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL MKPGASVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWMKQNQ GKSLEWIGEI NPNSGGAGYN QQFKGKATLT VDKSSRTAYM
101 ELRSLTSEDS AVYYCARLGY VGNYEDWYFD VWGAGTTVTV SSAKTTPPSV
151 YPLAPGSAAQ TNSMVTLGCL VKGYFPEPVT VTWNSGSLSS GVHTFPAVLQ
201 SDLYTLSSSV TVPSSTWPSE TVTCNVAHPA SSTKVDKKIV PRDCGCKPCI
251 CTVPEVSSVF IFPPKPKDVL TITLTPKVTC VVVDISKDDP EVQFSWFVDD
301 VEVHTAQTQP REEQFNSTFR SVSELPIMHQ DWLNGKEFKC RVNSAAFPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG RPKAPQVYTI PPPKEQMAKD KVSLTCMITD FFPEDITVEW
401 QWNGQPAENY KNTQPIMDTD GSYFIYSKLN VQKSNWEAGN TFTCSVLHEG
451 LHNHHTEKSL SHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:163)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-7 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTGGACCTT TCTCTTCCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAGCTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTA ATGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATACAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACAACATGC ACTGGATGAA GCAGAACCAA GGAAAGAGCC TAGAATGGAT
201 AGGAGAAATT AATCCTAACA GTGGTGGTGC TGGCTACAAC CAGCAGTTCA
251 AAGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CCTCCAGGAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTCCGCA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATTGGGCTAC GTTGGTAATT ACGAGGACTG GTACTTCGAT GTCTGGGGCG
401 CAGGGACCAC GGTCACCGTC TCCTCAGCCA AAACGACACC CCCATCTGTC
451 TATCCACTGG CCCCTGGATC TGCTGCCCAA ACTAACTCCA TGGTGACCCT
501 GGGATGCCTG GTCAAGGGCT ATTTCCCTGA GCCAGTGACA GTGACCTGGA
551 ACTCTGGATC CCTGTCCAGC GGTGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TGTCCTGCAG
601 TCTGACCTCT ACACTCTGAG CAGCTCAGTG ACTGTCCCCT CCAGCACCTG
651 GCCCAGCGAG ACCGTCACCT GCAACGTTGC CCACCCGGCC AGCAGCACCA
701 AGGTGGACAA GAAAATTGTG CCCAGGGATT GTGGTTGTAA GCCTTGCATA
751 TGTACAGTCC CAGAAGTATC ATCTGTCTTC ATCTTCCCCC CAAAGCCCAA
801 GGATGTGCTC ACCATTACTC TGACTCCTAA GGTCACGTGT GTTGTGGTAG
851 ACATCAGCAA GGATGATCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAGCTGGTT TGTAGATGAT
901 GTGGAGGTGC ACACAGCTCA GACGCAACCC CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACTTTCCGC TCAGTCAGTG AACTTCCCAT CATGCACCAG GACTGGCTCA
1001 ATGGCAAGGA GTTCAAATGC AGGGTCAACA GTGCAGCTTT CCCTGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGC AGACCGAAGG CTCCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCATT CCACCTCCCA AGGAGCAGAT GGCCAAGGAT AAAGTCAGTC
1151 TGACCTGCAT GATAACAGAC TTCTTCCCTG AAGACATTAC TGTGGAGTGG
1201 CAGTGGAATG GGCAGCCAGC GGAGAACTAC AAGAACACTC AGCCCATCAT
1251 GGACACAGAT GGCTCTTACT TCATCTACAG CAAGCTCAAT GTGCAGAAGA
1301 GCAACTGGGA GGCAGGAAAT ACTTTCACCT GCTCTGTGTT ACATGAGGGC
1351 CTGCACAACC ACCATACTGA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCACTCTC CTGGTAAA
(SEQ ID NO:164)

Ab-8

The sequences of the Antibody 8 (also referred to herein as Ab-8) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-8 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-8 LC:

1 DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY
51 TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKLEIK***RAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI***
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:165)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-8 LC:

1 GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT CTCTGGGAGA
51 CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC AATTATTTAA
101 ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT TATCTTCTAC
151 ACATCAAGAT TACTCTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTGGGTC
201 TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA GAAGATTTTG
251 CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC TTTCGGAGGG
301 GGGACCAAAC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT
451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:166)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-8 LC including signal peptide:

1 MMSSAQFLGL LLLCFQGTRC DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS
51 NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ
101 EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG GTKLEIKRAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA
151 SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT
201 LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:167)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-8 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGATGTCCT CTGCTCAGTT CCTTGGTCTC CTGTTGCTCT GTTTTCAAGG
51 TACCAGATGT GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT
101 CTCTGGGAGA CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC
151 AATTATTTAA ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT
201 TATCTTCTAC ACATCAAGAT TACTCTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG
251 GCAGTGGGTC TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA
301 GAAGATTTTG CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC
351 TTTCGGAGGG GGGACCAAAC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA
401 CTGTATCCAT CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC
451 TCAGTCGTGT GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA
501 GTGGAAGATT GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA
551 CTGATCAGGA CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG
601 TTGACCAAGG ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC
651 TCACAAGACA TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT
701 GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:168)

Ab-8 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-8 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LMKPGASVKM SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVKQN QGKTLDWIGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQKFKGKATL TVDKSSTTAY MELRSLTSED SAVYYCARLG
101 YDDIYDDWYF DVWGAGTTVT VSS*AKTTPPS VYPLAPGSAA QTNSMVTLGC*
151 LVKGYFPEPV TVTWNSGSLS SGVHTFPAVL QSDLYTLSSS VTVPSSTWPS
201 ETVTCNVAHP ASSTKVDKKI VPRDCGCKPC ICTVPEVSSV FIFPPKPKDV
251 LTITLTPKVT CVVVDISKDD PEVQFSWFVD DVEVHTAQTQ PREEQFNSTF
301 RSVSELPIMH QDWLNGKEFK CRVNSAAFPA PIEKTISKTK GRPKAPQVYT
351 IPPPKEQMAK DKVSLTCMIT DFFPEDITVE WQWNGQPAEN YKNTQPIMDT
401 DGSYFIYSKL NVQKSNWEAG NTFTCSVLHE GLHNHHTEKS LSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:169)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-8 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAAC TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTAATGAAGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATA TACATTCACT GACTACAACA
101 TGCACTGGGT GAAGCAGAAC CAAGGAAAGA CCCTAGACTG GATAGGAGAA
151 ATTAATCCTA ACAGTGGTGG TGCTGGCTAC AACCAGAAGT TCAAGGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCCTCCAC CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTCC
251 GCAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATTGGGC
301 TACGATGATA TCTACGACGA CTGGTACTTC GATGTCTGGG GCGCAGGGAC
351 CACGGTCACC GTCTCCTCAG CCAAAACGAC ACCCCCATCT GTCTATCCAC
401 TGGCCCCTGG ATCTGCTGCC CAAACTAACT CCATGGTGAC CCTGGGATGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG GCTATTTCCC TGAGCCAGTG ACAGTGACCT GGAACTCTGG
501 ATCCCTGTCC AGCGGTGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTGTCCTG CAGTCTGACC
551 TCTACACTCT GAGCAGCTCA GTGACTGTCC CCTCCAGCAC CTGGCCCAGC
601 GAGACCGTCA CCTGCAACGT TGCCCACCCG GCCAGCAGCA CCAAGGTGGA
651 CAAGAAAATT GTGCCCAGGG ATTGTGGTTG TAAGCCTTGC ATATGTACAG
701 TCCCAGAAGT ATCATCTGTC TTCATCTTCC CCCCAAAGCC CAAGGATGTG
751 CTCACCATTA CTCTGACTCC TAAGGTCACG TGTGTTGTGG TAGACATCAG
801 CAAGGATGAT CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAGCTG GTTTGTAGAT GATGTGGAGG
851 TGCACACAGC TCAGACGCAA CCCCGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACTTTC
901 CGCTCAGTCA GTGAACTTCC CATCATGCAC CAGGACTGGC TCAATGGCAA
951 GGAGTTCAAA TGCAGGGTCA ACAGTGCAGC TTTCCCTGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGCAGACCGA AGGCTCCACA GGTGTACACC
1051 ATTCCACCTC CCAAGGAGCA GATGGCCAAG GATAAAGTCA GTCTGACCTG
1101 CATGATAACA GACTTCTTCC CTGAAGACAT TACTGTGGAG TGGCAGTGGA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC AGCGGAGAAC TACAAGAACA CTCAGCCCAT CATGGACACA
1201 GATGGCTCTT ACTTCATCTA CAGCAAGCTC AATGTGCAGA AGAGCAACTG
1251 GGAGGCAGGA AATACTTTCA CCTGCTCTGT GTTACATGAG GGCCTGCACA
1301 ACCACCATAC TGAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCACT CTCCTGGTAA ATGA (SEQ ID NO:170)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-8 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSWTFLFL LSGTAGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL MKPGASVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWVKQNQ GKTLDWIGEI NPNSGGAGYN QKFKGKATLT VDKSSTTAYM
101 ELRSLTSEDS AVYYCARLGY DDIYDDWYFD VWGAGTTVTV SSAKTTPPSV
151 YPLAPGSAAQ TNSMVTLGCL VKGYFPEPVT VTWNSGSLSS GVHTFPAVLQ

201 SDLYTLSSSV TVPSSTWPSE TVTCNVAHPA SSTKVDKKIV PRDCGCKPCI
251 CTVPEVSSVF IFPPKPKDVL TITLTPKVTC VVVDISKDDP EVQFSWFVDD
301 VEVHTAQTQP REEQFNSTFR SVSELPIMHQ DWLNGKEFKC RVNSAAFPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG RPKAPQVYTI PPPKEQMAKD KVSLTCMITD FFPEDITVEW
401 QWNGQPAENY KNTQPIMDTD GSYFIYSKLN VQKSNWEAGN TFTCSVLHEG
451 LHNHHTEKSL SHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:171)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-8 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTGGACCTT TCTCTTCCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAACTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTA ATGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATATAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACAACATGC ACTGGGTGAA GCAGAACCAA GGAAAGACCC TAGACTGGAT
201 AGGAGAAATT AATCCTAACA GTGGTGGTGC TGGCTACAAC CAGAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CCTCCACCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTCCGCA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATTGGGCTAC GATGATATCT ACGACGACTG GTACTTCGAT GTCTGGGGCG
401 CAGGGACCAC GGTCACCGTC TCCTCAGCCA AAACGACACC CCCATCTGTC
451 TATCCACTGG CCCCTGGATC TGCTGCCCAA ACTAACTCCA TGGTGACCCT
501 GGGATGCCTG GTCAAGGGCT ATTTCCCTGA GCCAGTGACA GTGACCTGGA
551 ACTCTGGATC CCTGTCCAGC GGTGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TGTCCTGCAG
601 TCTGACCTCT ACACTCTGAG CAGCTCAGTG ACTGTCCCCT CCAGCACCTG
651 GCCCAGCGAG ACCGTCACCT GCAACGTTGC CCACCCGGCC AGCAGCACCA
701 AGGTGGACAA GAAAATTGTG CCCAGGGATT GTGGTTGTAA GCCTTGCATA
751 TGTACAGTCC CAGAAGTATC ATCTGTCTTC ATCTTCCCCC CAAAGCCCAA
801 GGATGTGCTC ACCATTACTC TGACTCCTAA GGTCACGTGT GTTGTGGTAG
851 ACATCAGCAA GGATGATCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAGCTGGTT TGTAGATGAT
901 GTGGAGGTGC ACACAGCTCA GACGCAACCC CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACTTTCCGC TCAGTCAGTG AACTTCCCAT CATGCACCAG GACTGGCTCA
1001 ATGGCAAGGA GTTCAAATGC AGGGTCAACA GTGCAGCTTT CCCTGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGC AGACCGAAGG CTCCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCATT CCACCTCCCA AGGAGCAGAT GGCCAAGGAT AAAGTCAGTC
1151 TGACCTGCAT GATAACAGAC TTCTTCCCTG AAGACATTAC TGTGGAGTGG
1201 CAGTGGAATG GGCAGCCAGC GGAGAACTAC AAGAACACTC AGCCCATCAT
1251 GGACACAGAT GGCTCTTACT TCATCTACAG CAAGCTCAAT GTGCAGAAGA
1301 GCAACTGGGA GGCAGGAAAT ACTTTCACCT GCTCTGTGTT ACATGAGGGC
1351 CTGCACAACC ACCATACTGA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCACTCTC CTGGTAAATG
1401 A (SEQ ID NO:172)

Ab-9

The sequences of the Antibody 9 (also referred to herein as Ab-9) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-9 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-9 LC:

1 DIQMTQITSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY
51 TSRLFSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKVEIK*RAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI*
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:173)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-9 LC:

1 GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAT TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT CTCTGGGAGA
51 CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC AATTATTTAA
101 ATTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT TATCTTCTAC
151 ACATCAAGAT TATTTTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTGGGTC
201 TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA GAAGATTTTG
251 CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC TTTCGGAGGG
301 GGGACCAAGG TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT
451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GT (SEQ ID NO:174)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-9 LC including signal peptide:

1 MMSSAQFLGL LLLCFQGTRC DIQMTQITSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS
51 NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY TSRLFSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ
101 EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG GTKVEIKRAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA
151 SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT
201 LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:175)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-9 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGATGTCCT CTGCTCAGTT CCTTGGTCTC CTGTTGCTCT GTTTTCAAGG
51 TACCAGATGT GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAT TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT
101 CTCTGGGAGA CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC
151 AATTATTTAA ATTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT
201 TATCTTCTAC ACATCAAGAT TATTTTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG
251 GCAGTGGGTC TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA
301 GAAGATTTTG CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC
351 TTTCGGAGGG GGGACCAAGG TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA
401 CTGTATCCAT CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC
451 TCAGTCGTGT GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA
501 GTGGAAGATT GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA
551 CTGATCAGGA CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG
601 TTGACCAAGG ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC
651 TCACAAGACA TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT
701 GT (SEQ ID NO:176)

Ab-9 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-9 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LMKPGTSVKM SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVKQT QGKTLEWIGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQKFKGKATL TVDKSSTTAY MELRSLTSED SAVYYCAKLG
101 YDDIYDDWYF DVWGAGTTVT VSS*AKTTAPS VYPLAPVCGD TTGSSVTLGC*
151 LVKGYFPEPV TLTWNSGSLS SDVHTFPALL QSGLYTLSSS VTVTTWPSQT
201 ITCNVAHPAS STKVDKKIEP RGSPTHKPCP PCPAPNLLGG PSVFIFPPKI
251 KDVLMISLSP MVTCVVVDVS EDDPDVHVSW FVNNVEVHTA QTQTHREDYN

301 STIRVVSALP IQHQDWMSGK EFKCKVNNKA LPAPIERTIS KPKGPVRAPQ
351 VYVLPPPEEE MTKKQVTLTC MITDFMPEDI YVEWTNNGQT ELNYKNTEPV
401 LDSDGSYFMY SKLRVEKKNW VERNSYSCSV VHEGLHNHHT TKSFSRTPGK
(SEQ ID NO:177)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-9 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAAC TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTAATGAAGC CTGGGACTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATA TACATTCACT GACTACAACA
101 TGCACTGGGT GAAGCAGACC CAAGGAAAGA CCCTAGAGTG GATAGGAGAA
151 ATTAATCCTA ACAGTGGTGG TGCTGGCTAC AACCAGAAGT TCAAGGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCCTCCAC CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTCC
251 GCAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAAATTGGGC
301 TACGATGATA TCTACGACGA CTGGTATTTC GATGTCTGGG GCGCAGGGAC
351 CACGGTCACC GTCTCCTCAG CCAAAACAAC AGCCCCATCG GTCTATCCAC
401 TGGCCCCTGT GTGTGGAGAT ACAACTGGCT CCTCGGTGAC TCTAGGATGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG GTTATTTCCC TGAGCCAGTG ACCTTGACCT GGAACTCTGG
501 ATCCCTGTCC AGTGATGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTCTCCTG CAGTCTGGCC
551 TCTACACCCT CAGCAGCTCA GTGACTGTAA CCACCTGGCC CAGCCAGACC
601 ATCACCTGCA ATGTGGCCCA CCCGGCAAGC AGCACCAAAG TGGACAAGAA
651 AATTGAGCCC AGAGGGTCCC CAACACATAA ACCCTGTCCT CCATGCCCAG
701 CTCCTAACCT CTTGGGTGGA CCATCCGTCT TCATCTTCCC TCCAAAGATC
751 AAGGATGTAC TCATGATCTC CCTGAGCCCC ATGGTCACGT GTGTGGTGGT
801 GGATGTGAGC GAGGATGACC CAGATGTCCA TGTCAGCTGG TTCGTGAACA
851 ACGTGGAAGT ACACACAGCT CAGACACAAA CCCATAGAGA GGATTACAAC
901 AGTACTATCC GGGTGGTCAG TGCCCTCCCC ATCCAGCACC AGGACTGGAT
951 GAGTGGCAAG GAGTTCAAAT GCAAGGTCAA CAACAAAGCC CTCCCAGCGC
1001 CCATCGAGAG AACCATCTCA AAACCCAAAG GGCCAGTAAG AGCTCCACAG
1051 GTATATGTCT TGCCTCCACC AGAAGAAGAG ATGACTAAGA AACAGGTCAC
1101 TCTGACCTGC ATGATCACAG ACTTCATGCC TGAAGACATT TACGTGGAGT
1151 GGACCAACAA CGGGCAAACA GAGCTAAACT ACAAGAACAC TGAACCAGTC
1201 CTGGACTCTG ATGGTTCTTA CTTCATGTAC AGCAAGCTGA GAGTGGAAAA
1251 GAAGAACTGG GTGGAAAGAA ATAGCTACTC CTGTTCAGTG GTCCACGAGG
1301 GTCTGCACAA TCACCACACG ACTAAGAGCT TCTCCCGGAC TCCGGGTAAA
(SEQ ID NO:178)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-9 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSWTFLFL LSGTAGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL MKPGTSVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWVKQTQ GKTLEWIGEI NPNSGGAGYN QKFKGKATLT VDKSSTTAYM
101 ELRSLTSEDS AVYYCAKLGY DDIYDDWYFD VWGAGTTVTV SSAKTTAPSV
151 YPLAPVCGDT TGSSVTLGCL VKGYFPEPVT LTWNSGSLSS DVHTFPALLQ
201 SGLYTLSSSV TVTTWPSQTI TCNVAHPASS TKVDKKIEPR GSPTHKPCPP
251 CPAPNLLGGP SVFIFPPKIK DVLMISLSPM VTCVVVDVSE DDPDVHVSWF
301 VNNVEVHTAQ TQTHREDYNS TIRVVSALPI QHQDWMSGKE FKCKVNNKAL
351 PAPIERTISK PKGPVRAPQV YVLPPPEEEM TKKQVTLTCM ITDFMPEDIY
401 VEWTNNGQTE LNYKNTEPVL DSDGSYFMYS KLRVEKKNWV ERNSYSCSVV
451 HEGLHNHHTT KSFSRTPGK (SEQ ID NO:179)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-9 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTGGACCTT TCTCTTCCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAACTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTA ATGAAGCCTG

101 GGACTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATATAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACAACATGC ACTGGGTGAA GCAGACCCAA GGAAAGACCC TAGAGTGGAT
201 AGGAGAAATT AATCCTAACA GTGGTGGTGC TGGCTACAAC CAGAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CCTCCACCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTCCGCA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAA
351 ATTGGGCTAC GATGATATCT ACGACGACTG GTATTTCGAT GTCTGGGGCG
401 CAGGGACCAC GGTCACCGTC TCCTCAGCCA AAACAACAGC CCCATCGGTC
451 TATCCACTGG CCCCTGTGTG TGGAGATACA ACTGGCTCCT CGGTGACTCT
501 AGGATGCCTG GTCAAGGGTT ATTTCCCTGA GCCAGTGACC TTGACCTGGA
551 ACTCTGGATC CCTGTCCAGT GATGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TCTCCTGCAG
601 TCTGGCCTCT ACACCCTCAG CAGCTCAGTG ACTGTAACCA CCTGGCCCAG
651 CCAGACCATC ACCTGCAATG TGGCCCACCC GGCAAGCAGC ACCAAAGTGG
701 ACAAGAAAAT TGAGCCCAGA GGGTCCCCAA CACATAAACC CTGTCCTCCA
751 TGCCCAGCTC CTAACCTCTT GGGTGGACCA TCCGTCTTCA TCTTCCCTCC
801 AAAGATCAAG GATGTACTCA TGATCTCCCT GAGCCCCATG GTCACGTGTG
851 TGGTGGTGGA TGTGAGCGAG GATGACCCAG ATGTCCATGT CAGCTGGTTC
901 GTGAACAACG TGGAAGTACA CACAGCTCAG ACACAAACCC ATAGAGAGGA
951 TTACAACAGT ACTATCCGGG TGGTCAGTGC CCTCCCCATC CAGCACCAGG
1001 ACTGGATGAG TGGCAAGGAG TTCAAATGCA AGGTCAACAA CAAAGCCCTC
1051 CCAGCGCCCA TCGAGAGAAC CATCTCAAAA CCCAAAGGGC CAGTAAGAGC
1101 TCCACAGGTA TATGTCTTGC CTCCACCAGA AGAAGAGATG ACTAAGAAAC
1151 AGGTCACTCT GACCTGCATG ATCACAGACT TCATGCCTGA AGACATTTAC
1201 GTGGAGTGGA CCAACAACGG GCAAACAGAG CTAAACTACA AGAACACTGA
1251 ACCAGTCCTG GACTCTGATG GTTCTTACTT CATGTACAGC AAGCTGAGAG
1301 TGGAAAAGAA GAACTGGGTG GAAAGAAATA GCTACTCCTG TTCAGTGGTC
1351 CACGAGGGTC TGCACAATCA CCACACGACT AAGAGCTTCT CCCGGACTCC
1401 GGGTAAA (SEQ ID NO:180)

Ab-10

The sequences of the Antibody 10 (also referred to herein as Ab-10) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-10 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-10 LC:

1 DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY
51 TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKLEIK***RAD AAPTVSIFPL SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI***
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:181)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-10 LC:

1 GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT CTCTGGGAGA
51 CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC AATTATTTAA
101 ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT TATCTTCTAC
151 ACATCAAGAT TACTCTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTGGGTC
201 TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA GAAGATTTTG
251 CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC TTTCGGAGGG
301 GGGACCAAAC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACTA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT

451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:182)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-10 LC including signal peptide:

1 MMSSAQFLGL LLLCFQGTRC DIQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVS ISCRASQDIS
51 NYLNWYQQKP DGTFKLLIFY TSRLLSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD YSLTIYNLEQ
101 EDFATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG GTKLEIKRAD AAPTVSIFPL SSEQLTSGGA
151 SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT
201 LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:183)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-10 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGATGTCCT CTGCTCAGTT CCTTGGTCTC CTGTTGCTCT GTTTTCAAGG
51 TACCAGATGT GATATCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACATCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT
101 CTCTGGGAGA CAGGGTCTCC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA AGACATTAGC
151 AATTATTTAA ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTT TTAAACTCCT
201 TATCTTCTAC ACATCAAGAT TACTCTCAGG AGTCCCATCA AGGTTCAGTG
251 GCAGTGGGTC TGGAACAGAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTTACAA CCTGGAGCAA
301 GAAGATTTTG CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGAGATACGC TTCCGTACAC
351 TTTCGGAGGG GGGACCAAAC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA
401 CTGTATCCAT CTTCCCACTA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC
451 TCAGTCGTGT GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA
501 GTGGAAGATT GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA
551 CTGATCAGGA CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG
601 TTGACCAAGG ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC
651 TCACAAGACA TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT
701 GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:184)

Ab-10 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-10 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LMKPGASVKM SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWVKQN QGKTLEWIGE
51 INPNSGGAGY NQKFKGKATL TVDKSSTTAY MELRSLTSED SAVYYCARLG
101 YDDIYDDWYF DVWGAGTTVT VSS***AKTTPPS VYPLAPGSAA QTNSMVTLGC***
151 LVKGYFPEPV TVTWNSGSLS SGVHTFPAVL QSDLYTLSSS VTVPSSTWPS
201 ETVTCNVAHP ASSTKVDKKI VPRDCGCKPC ICTVPEVSSV FIFPPKPKDV
251 LTITLTPKVT CVVVDISKDD PEVQFSWFVD DVEVHTAQTQ PREEQFNSTF
301 RSVSELPIMH QDWLNGKEFK CRVNSAAFPA PIEKTISKTK GRPKAPQVYT
351 IPPPKEQMAK DKVSLTCMIT DFFPEDITVE WQWNGQPAEN YKNTQPIMDT
401 DGSYFIYSKL NVQKSNWEAG NTFTCSVLHE GLHNHHTEKS LSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:185)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-10 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAAC TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTAATGAAGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATA TACATTCACT GACTACAACA
101 TGCACTGGGT GAAGCAGAAC CAAGGAAAGA CCCTAGAATG GATAGGAGAA

151 ATTAATCCTA ACAGTGGTGG TGCTGGCTAC AACCAGAAGT TCAAGGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCCTCCAC CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTCC
251 GCAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATTGGGC
301 TACGATGATA TCTACGACGA CTGGTACTTC GATGTCTGGG GCGCAGGGAC
351 CACGGTCACC GTCTCCTCAG CCAAAACGAC ACCCCCATCT GTCTATCCAC
401 TGGCCCCTGG ATCTGCTGCC CAAACTAACT CCATGGTGAC CCTGGGATGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG GCTATTTCCC TGAGCCAGTG ACAGTGACCT GGAACTCTGG
501 ATCCCTGTCC AGCGGTGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTGTCCTG CAGTCTGACC
551 TCTACACTCT GAGCAGCTCA GTGACTGTCC CCTCCAGCAC CTGGCCCAGC
601 GAGACCGTCA CCTGCAACGT TGCCCACCCG GCCAGCAGCA CCAAGGTGGA
651 CAAGAAAATT GTGCCCAGGG ATTGTGGTTG TAAGCCTTGC ATATGTACAG
701 TCCCAGAAGT ATCATCTGTC TTCATCTTCC CCCCAAAGCC CAAGGATGTG
751 CTCACCATTA CTCTGACTCC TAAGGTCACG TGTGTTGTGG TAGACATCAG
801 CAAGGATGAT CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAGCTG GTTTGTAGAT GATGTGGAGG
851 TGCACACAGC TCAGACGCAA CCCCGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACTTTC
901 CGCTCAGTCA GTGAACTTCC CATCATGCAC CAGGACTGGC TCAATGGCAA
951 GGAGTTCAAA TGCAGGGTCA ACAGTGCAGC TTTCCCTGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGCAGACCGA AGGCTCCACA GGTGTACACC
1051 ATTCCACCTC CCAAGGAGCA GATGGCCAAG GATAAAGTCA GTCTGACCTG
1101 CATGATAACA GACTTCTTCC CTGAAGACAT TACTGTGGAG TGGCAGTGGA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC AGCGGAGAAC TACAAGAACA CTCAGCCCAT CATGGACACA
1201 GATGGCTCTT ACTTCATCTA CAGCAAGCTC AATGTGCAGA AGAGCAACTG
1251 GGAGGCAGGA AATACTTTCA CCTGCTCTGT GTTACATGAG GGCCTGCACA
1301 ACCACCATAC TGAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCACT CTCCTGGTAA ATGA (SEQ ID NO:186)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-10 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSWTFLFL LSGTAGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL MKPGASVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWVKQNQ GKTLEWIGEI NPNSGGAGYN QKFKGKATLT VDKSSTTAYM
101 ELRSLTSEDS AVYYCARLGY DDIYDDWYFD VWGAGTTVTV SSAKTTPPSV
151 YPLAPGSAAQ TNSMVTLGCL VKGYFPEPVT VTWNSGSLSS GVHTFPAVLQ
201 SDLYTLSSSV TVPSSTWPSE TVTCNVAHPA SSTKVDKKIV PRDCGCKPCI
251 CTVPEVSSVF IFPPKPKDVL TITLTPKVTC VVVDISKDDP EVQFSWFVDD
301 VEVHTAQTQP REEQFNSTFR SVSELPIMHQ DWLNGKEFKC RVNSAAFPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG RPKAPQVYTI PPPKEQMAKD KVSLTCMITD FFPEDITVEW
401 QWNGQPAENY KNTQPIMDTD GSYFIYSKLN VQKSNWEAGN TFTCSVLHEG
451 LHNHHTEKSL SHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:187)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-10 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTGGACCTT TCTCTTCCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAACTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTA ATGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATATAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACAACATGC ACTGGGTGAA GCAGAACCAA GGAAAGACCC TAGAATGGAT
201 AGGAGAAATT AATCCTAACA GTGGTGGTGC TGGCTACAAC CAGAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CCTCCACCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTCCGCA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATTGGGCTAC GATGATATCT ACGACGACTG GTACTTCGAT GTCTGGGGCG
401 CAGGGACCAC GGTCACCGTC TCCTCAGCCA AAACGACACC CCCATCTGTC
451 TATCCACTGG CCCCTGGATC TGCTGCCCAA ACTAACTCCA TGGTGACCCT
501 GGGATGCCTG GTCAAGGGCT ATTTCCCTGA GCCAGTGACA GTGACCTGGA

551 ACTCTGGATC CCTGTCCAGC GGTGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TGTCCTGCAG
601 TCTGACCTCT ACACTCTGAG CAGCTCAGTG ACTGTCCCCT CCAGCACCTG
651 GCCCAGCGAG ACCGTCACCT GCAACGTTGC CCACCCGGCC AGCAGCACCA
701 AGGTGGACAA GAAAATTGTG CCCAGGGATT GTGGTTGTAA GCCTTGCATA
751 TGTACAGTCC CAGAAGTATC ATCTGTCTTC ATCTTCCCCC CAAAGCCCAA
801 GGATGTGCTC ACCATTACTC TGACTCCTAA GGTCACGTGT GTTGTGGTAG
851 ACATCAGCAA GGATGATCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAGCTGGTT TGTAGATGAT
901 GTGGAGGTGC ACACAGCTCA GACGCAACCC CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACTTTCCGC TCAGTCAGTG AACTTCCCAT CATGCACCAG GACTGGCTCA
1001 ATGGCAAGGA GTTCAAATGC AGGGTCAACA GTGCAGCTTT CCCTGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGC AGACCGAAGG CTCCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCATT CCACCTCCCA AGGAGCAGAT GGCCAAGGAT AAAGTCAGTC
1151 TGACCTGCAT GATAACAGAC TTCTTCCCTG AAGACATTAC TGTGGAGTGG
1201 CAGTGGAATG GGCAGCCAGC GGAGAACTAC AAGAACACTC AGCCCATCAT
1251 GGACACAGAT GGCTCTTACT TCATCTACAG CAAGCTCAAT GTGCAGAAGA
1301 GCAACTGGGA GGCAGGAAAT ACTTTCACCT GCTCTGTGTT ACATGAGGGC
1351 CTGCACAACC ACCATACTGA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCACTCTC CTGGTAAATG
1401 A (SEQ ID NO:188)

Ab-11

The sequences of the Antibody 11 (also referred to herein as Ab-11) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-11 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-11 LC:

1 QIVLSQSPAF LSVSPGDKVT MTCRASSSIS YIHWFQQKPG SSPRSWIYAT
51 SNLASGVPGR FSGSGSGTSY SLTISRVEAE DAATYYCQQW SSDPLTFGAG
101 TKLELK***RADA APTVSIFPPS SEQLTSGGAS VVCFLNNFYP KDINVKWKID***
151 GSERQNGVLN SWTDQDSKDS TYSMSSTLTL TKDEYERHNS YTCEATHKTS
201 TSPIVKSFNR NEC (SEQ ID NO:189)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-11 LC:

1 CAAATTGTTC TCTCCCAGTC TCCAGCATTC CTGTCTGTAT CTCCAGGGGA
51 TAAGGTCACA ATGACTTGCA GGGCCAGCTC AAGTATAAGT TACATACACT
101 GGTTTCAGCA GAAGCCAGGA TCCTCCCCCA GATCCTGGAT TTATGCCACA
151 TCCAACCTGG CTTCTGGAGT CCCTGGTCGC TTCAGTGGCA GTGGGTCTGG
201 GACCTCTTAC TCTCTCACAA TCAGCAGAGT GGAGGCTGAG GATGCTGCCA
251 CTTATTACTG CCAGCAGTGG AGTAGTGACC CACTCACGTT CGGTGCTGGG
301 ACCAAGCTGG AGCTGAAACG GGCTGATGCT GCACCAACTG TATCCATCTT
351 CCCACCATCC AGTGAGCAGT TAACATCTGG AGGTGCCTCA GTCGTGTGCT
401 TCTTGAACAA CTTCTACCCC AAAGACATCA ATGTCAAGTG GAAGATTGAT
451 GGCAGTGAAC GACAAAATGG CGTCCTGAAC AGTTGGACTG ATCAGGACAG
501 CAAAGACAGC ACCTACAGCA TGAGCAGCAC CCTCACGTTG ACCAAGGACG
551 AGTATGAACG ACATAACAGC TATACCTGTG AGGCCACTCA CAAGACATCA
601 ACTTCACCCA TTGTCAAGAG CTTCAACAGG AATGAGTGTT AG (SEQ ID NO:190)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-11 LC including signal peptide:

1 MDFQVQIFSF LLISASVIMS RGQIVLSQSP AFLSVSPGDK VTMTCRASSS

51 ISYIHWFQQK PGSSPRSWIY ATSNLASGVP GRFSGSGSGT SYSLTISRVE
101 AEDAATYYCQ QWSSDPLTFG AGTKLELKRA DAAPTVSIFP PSSEQLTSGG
151 ASVVCFLNNF YPKDINVKWK IDGSERQNGV LNSWTDQDSK DSTYSMSSTL
201 TLTKDEYERH NSYTCEATHK TSTSPIVKSF NRNEC (SEQ ID NO:191)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-11 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGATTTTC AAGTGCAGAT TTTCAGCTTC CTGCTAATCA GTGCTTCAGT
51 CATAATGTCC AGAGGACAAA TTGTTCTCTC CCAGTCTCCA GCATTCCTGT
101 CTGTATCTCC AGGGGATAAG GTCACAATGA CTTGCAGGGC CAGCTCAAGT
151 ATAAGTTACA TACACTGGTT TCAGCAGAAG CCAGGATCCT CCCCCAGATC
201 CTGGATTTAT GCCACATCCA ACCTGGCTTC TGGAGTCCCT GGTCGCTTCA
251 GTGGCAGTGG GTCTGGGACC TCTTACTCTC TCACAATCAG CAGAGTGGAG
301 GCTGAGGATG CTGCCACTTA TTACTGCCAG CAGTGGAGTA GTGACCCACT
351 CACGTTCGGT GCTGGGACCA AGCTGGAGCT GAAACGGGCT GATGCTGCAC
401 CAACTGTATC CATCTTCCCA CCATCCAGTG AGCAGTTAAC ATCTGGAGGT
451 GCCTCAGTCG TGTGCTTCTT GAACAACTTC TACCCCAAAG ACATCAATGT
501 CAAGTGGAAG ATTGATGGCA GTGAACGACA AAATGGCGTC CTGAACAGTT
551 GGACTGATCA GGACAGCAAA GACAGCACCT ACAGCATGAG CAGCACCCTC
601 ACGTTGACCA AGGACGAGTA TGAACGACAT AACAGCTATA CCTGTGAGGC
651 CACTCACAAG ACATCAACTT CACCCATTGT CAAGAGCTTC AACAGGAATG
701 AGTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:192)

Ab-11 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-11 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGAD LVQPGASVKV SCTASGFDIK DYYIHWMKQR PDQGLEWIGR
51 VDPDNGETEF APKFPGKATF TTDTSSNTAY LQLRGLTSED TAIYYCGRED
101 YDGTYTWFPY WGQGTLVTVS *AAKTTPPSVY PLAPGSAAQT NSMVTLGCLV*
151 KGYFPEPVTV TWNSGSLSSG VHTFPAVLQS DLYTLSSSVT VPSSTWPSET
201 VTCNVAHPAS STKVDKKIVP RDCGCKPCIC TVPEVSSVFI FPPKPKDVLT
251 ITLTPKVTCV VVDISKDDPE VQFSWFVDDV EVHTAQTQPR EEQFNSTFRS
301 VSELPIMHQD WLNGKEFKCR VNSAAFPAPI EKTISKTKGR PKAPQVYTIP
351 PPKEQMAKDK VSLTCMITDF FPEDITVEWQ WNGQPAENYK NTQPIMDTDG
401 SYFIYSKLNV QKSNWEAGNT FTCSVLHEGL HNHHTEKSLS HSPGK (SEQ ID NO:193)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-11 HC:

1 GAAGTTCAGC TGCAACAGTC TGGGGCAGAC CTTGTGCAGC CAGGGGCCTC
51 AGTCAAGGTG TCCTGCACAG CTTCTGGCTT CGACATTAAG GACTACTATA
101 TACACTGGAT GAAACAGAGG CCTGACCAGG GCCTGGAGTG GATTGGAAGG
151 GTTGATCCTG ACAATGGTGA GACTGAATTT GCCCCGAAGT TCCCGGGCAA
201 GGCCACTTTT ACAACAGACA CATCCTCCAA CACAGCCTAC CTACAACTCA
251 GAGGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC ACTGCCATCT ATTACTGTGG GAGAGAAGAC
301 TACGATGGTA CCTACACCTG GTTTCCTTAT TGGGGCCAAG GGACTCTGGT
351 CACTGTCTCT GCAGCCAAAA CGACACCCCC ATCTGTCTAT CCACTGGCCC
401 CTGGATCTGC TGCCCAAACT AACTCCATGG TGACCCTGGG ATGCCTGGTC
451 AAGGGCTATT TCCCTGAGCC AGTGACAGTG ACCTGGAACT CTGGATCCCT
501 GTCCAGCGGT GTGCACACCT TCCCAGCTGT CCTGCAGTCT GACCTCTACA
551 CTCTGAGCAG CTCAGTGACT GTCCCCTCCA GCACCTGGCC CAGCGAGACC

601 GTCACCTGCA ACGTTGCCCA CCCGGCCAGC AGCACCAAGG TGGACAAGAA
651 AATTGTGCCC AGGGATTGTG GTTGTAAGCC TTGCATATGT ACAGTCCCAG
701 AAGTATCATC TGTCTTCATC TTCCCCCCAA AGCCCAAGGA TGTGCTCACC
751 ATTACTCTGA CTCCTAAGGT CACGTGTGTT GTGGTAGACA TCAGCAAGGA
801 TGATCCCGAG GTCCAGTTCA GCTGGTTTGT AGATGATGTG GAGGTGCACA
851 CAGCTCAGAC GCAACCCCGG GAGGAGCAGT TCAACAGCAC TTTCCGCTCA
901 GTCAGTGAAC TTCCCATCAT GCACCAGGAC TGGCTCAATG GCAAGGAGTT
951 CAAATGCAGG GTCAACAGTG CAGCTTTCCC TGCCCCCATC GAGAAAACCA
1001 TCTCCAAAAC CAAAGGCAGA CCGAAGGCTC CACAGGTGTA CACCATTCCA
1051 CCTCCCAAGG AGCAGATGGC CAAGGATAAA GTCAGTCTGA CCTGCATGAT
1101 AACAGACTTC TTCCCTGAAG ACATTACTGT GGAGTGGCAG TGGAATGGGC
1151 AGCCAGCGGA GAACTACAAG AACACTCAGC CCATCATGGA CACAGATGGC
1201 TCTTACTTCA TCTACAGCAA GCTCAATGTG CAGAAGAGCA ACTGGGAGGC
1251 AGGAAATACT TTCACCTGCT CTGTGTTACA TGAGGGCCTG CACAACCACC
1301 ATACTGAGAA GAGCCTCTCC CACTCTCCTG GTAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:194)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-11 HC including signal peptide:

1 MKCSWVIFFL MAVVTGVNSE VQLQQSGADL VQPGASVKVS CTASGFDIKD
51 YYIHWMKQRP DQGLEWIGRV DPDNGETEFA PKFPGKATFT TDTSSNTAYL
101 QLRGLTSEDT AIYYCGREDY DGTYTWFPYW GQGTLVTVSA AKTTPPSVYP
151 LAPGSAAQTN SMVTLGCLVK GYFPEPVTVT WNSGSLSSGV HTFPAVLQSD
201 LYTLSSSVTV PSSTWPSETV TCNVAHPASS TKVDKKIVPR DCGCKPCICT
251 VPEVSSVFIF PPKPKDVLTI TLTPKVTCVV VDISKDDPEV QFSWFVDDVE
301 VHTAQTQPRE EQFNSTFRSV SELPIMHQDW LNGKEFKCRV NSAAFPAPIE
351 KTISKTKGRP KAPQVYTIPP PKEQMAKDKV SLTCMITDFF PEDITVEWQW
401 NGQPAENYKN TQPIMDTDGS YFIYSKLNVQ KSNWEAGNTF TCSVLHEGLH
451 NHHTEKSLSH SPGK (SEQ ID NO:195)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-11 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGAAATGCA GCTGGGTCAT CTTCTTCCTG ATGGCAGTGG TTACAGGGGT
51 CAATTCAGAA GTTCAGCTGC AACAGTCTGG GGCAGACCTT GTGCAGCCAG
101 GGGCCTCAGT CAAGGTGTCC TGCACAGCTT CTGGCTTCGA CATTAAGGAC
151 TACTATATAC ACTGGATGAA ACAGAGGCCT GACCAGGGCC TGGAGTGGAT
201 TGGAAGGGTT GATCCTGACA ATGGTGAGAC TGAATTTGCC CCGAAGTTCC
251 CGGGCAAGGC CACTTTTACA ACAGACACAT CCTCCAACAC AGCCTACCTA
301 CAACTCAGAG GCCTGACATC TGAGGACACT GCCATCTATT ACTGTGGGAG
351 AGAAGACTAC GATGGTACCT ACACCTGGTT TCCTTATTGG GGCCAAGGGA
401 CTCTGGTCAC TGTCTCTGCA GCCAAAACGA CACCCCCATC TGTCTATCCA
451 CTGGCCCCTG GATCTGCTGC CCAAACTAAC TCCATGGTGA CCCTGGGATG
501 CCTGGTCAAG GGCTATTTCC CTGAGCCAGT GACAGTGACC TGGAACTCTG
551 GATCCCTGTC CAGCGGTGTG CACACCTTCC CAGCTGTCCT GCAGTCTGAC
601 CTCTACACTC TGAGCAGCTC AGTGACTGTC CCCTCCAGCA CCTGGCCCAG
651 CGAGACCGTC ACCTGCAACG TTGCCCACCC GGCCAGCAGC ACCAAGGTGG
701 ACAAGAAAAT TGTGCCCAGG GATTGTGGTT GTAAGCCTTG CATATGTACA
751 GTCCCAGAAG TATCATCTGT CTTCATCTTC CCCCCAAAGC CCAAGGATGT
801 GCTCACCATT ACTCTGACTC CTAAGGTCAC GTGTGTTGTG GTAGACATCA
851 GCAAGGATGA TCCCGAGGTC CAGTTCAGCT GGTTTGTAGA TGATGTGGAG
901 GTGCACACAG CTCAGACGCA ACCCCGGGAG GAGCAGTTCA ACAGCACTTT
951 CCGCTCAGTC AGTGAACTTC CCATCATGCA CCAGGACTGG CTCAATGGCA
1001 AGGAGTTCAA ATGCAGGGTC AACAGTGCAG CTTTCCCTGC CCCCATCGAG

1051 AAAACCATCT CCAAAACCAA AGGCAGACCG AAGGCTCCAC AGGTGTACAC
1101 CATTCCACCT CCCAAGGAGC AGATGGCCAA GGATAAAGTC AGTCTGACCT
1151 GCATGATAAC AGACTTCTTC CCTGAAGACA TTACTGTGGA GTGGCAGTGG
1201 AATGGGCAGC CAGCGGAGAA CTACAAGAAC ACTCAGCCCA TCATGGACAC
1251 AGATGGCTCT TACTTCATCT ACAGCAAGCT CAATGTGCAG AAGAGCAACT
1301 GGGAGGCAGG AAATACTTTC ACCTGCTCTG TGTTACATGA GGGCCTGCAC
1351 AACCACCATA CTGAGAAGAG CCTCTCCCAC TCTCCTGGTA AATGA (SEQ ID NO:196)

Ab-12

The sequences of the Antibody 12 (also referred to herein as Ab-12) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-12 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-12 LC:

1 DLQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVT ISCRASQDIS NYLNWYQQKP DGTVKLLIFY
51 TSTLQSGVPS RFSGSGSGTN YSLTITNLEQ DDAATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG
101 GTKLEIK***RAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI***
151 DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT
201 STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:197)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-12 LC:

1 GATCTCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACTTCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT CTCTGGGAGA
51 CAGAGTCACC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA GGACATTAGC AATTATTTAA
101 ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTG TTAAGCTCCT GATCTTCTAC
151 ACATCAACAT TACAGTCAGG AGTCCCATCG AGGTTCAGTG GCAGTGGGTC
201 TGGAACAAAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTACCAA CCTGGAGCAA GATGATGCTG
251 CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGTGATACGC TTCCGTACAC GTTCGGAGGG
301 GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA CTGTATCCAT
351 CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC TCAGTCGTGT
401 GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA GTGGAAGATT
451 GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA CTGATCAGGA
501 CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG TTGACCAAGG
551 ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC TCACAAGACA
601 TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:198)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-12 LC including signal peptide:

1 MMSSAQFLGL LLLCFQGSRC DLQMTQTTSS LSASLGDRVT ISCRASQDIS
51 NYLNWYQQKP DGTVKLLIFY TSTLQSGVPS RFSGSGSGTN YSLTITNLEQ
101 DDAATYFCQQ GDTLPYTFGG GTKLEIKRAD AAPTVSIFPP SSEQLTSGGA
151 SVVCFLNNFY PKDINVKWKI DGSERQNGVL NSWTDQDSKD STYSMSSTLT
201 LTKDEYERHN SYTCEATHKT STSPIVKSFN RNEC (SEQ ID NO:199)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-12 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGATGTCCT CTGCTCAGTT CCTTGGTCTC CTGTTGCTCT GTTTTCAAGG
51 TTCCAGATGT GATCTCCAGA TGACACAGAC TACTTCCTCC CTGTCTGCCT
101 CTCTGGGAGA CAGAGTCACC ATCAGTTGCA GGGCAAGTCA GGACATTAGC

151 AATTATTTAA ACTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GATGGAACTG TTAAGCTCCT
201 GATCTTCTAC ACATCAACAT TACAGTCAGG AGTCCCATCG AGGTTCAGTG
251 GCAGTGGGTC TGGAACAAAT TATTCTCTCA CCATTACCAA CCTGGAGCAA
301 GATGATGCTG CCACTTACTT TTGCCAACAG GGTGATACGC TTCCGTACAC
351 GTTCGGAGGG GGGACCAAGC TGGAAATAAA ACGGGCTGAT GCTGCACCAA
401 CTGTATCCAT CTTCCCACCA TCCAGTGAGC AGTTAACATC TGGAGGTGCC
451 TCAGTCGTGT GCTTCTTGAA CAACTTCTAC CCCAAAGACA TCAATGTCAA
501 GTGGAAGATT GATGGCAGTG AACGACAAAA TGGCGTCCTG AACAGTTGGA
551 CTGATCAGGA CAGCAAAGAC AGCACCTACA GCATGAGCAG CACCCTCACG
601 TTGACCAAGG ACGAGTATGA ACGACATAAC AGCTATACCT GTGAGGCCAC
651 TCACAAGACA TCAACTTCAC CCATTGTCAA GAGCTTCAAC AGGAATGAGT
701 GTTAG (SEQ ID NO:200)

Ab-12 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-12 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LMKPGASVKM SCKASGYTFT DYNMHWMKQN QGKSLEWIGE
51 INPNSGGSGY NQKFKGKATL TVDKSSSTAY MELRSLTSED SAVYYCARLG
101 YYGNYEDWYF DVWGAGTTVT VSS***AKTTPPS VYPLAPGSAA QTNSMVTLGC***
151 LVKGYFPEPV TVTWNSGSLS SGVHTFPAVL QSDLYTLSSS VTVPSSTWPS
201 ETVTCNVAHP ASSTKVDKKI VPRDCGCKPC ICTVPEVSSV FIFPPKPKDV
251 LTITLTPKVT CVVVDISKDD PEVQFSWFVD DVEVHTAQTQ PREEQFNSTF
301 RSVSELPIMH QDWLNGKEFK CRVNSAAFPA PIEKTISKTK GRPKAPQVYT
351 IPPPKEQMAK DKVSLTCMIT DFFPEDITVE WQWNGQPAEN YKNTQPIMDT
401 DGSYFIYSKL NVQKSNWEAG NTFTCSVLHE GLHNHHTEKS LSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:201)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-12 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAGT TGCAACAGTC TGGACCTGAA CTAATGAAGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATA CACATTCACT GACTACAACA
101 TGCACTGGAT GAAGCAGAAC CAAGGAAAGA GCCTAGAGTG GATAGGAGAG
151 ATTAATCCTA ACAGTGGTGG TTCTGGTTAC AACCAGAAGT TCAAAGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AGTCCTCCAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTCC
251 GCAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATTGGGC
301 TACTATGGTA ACTACGAGGA CTGGTATTTC GATGTCTGGG GCGCAGGGAC
351 CACGGTCACC GTCTCCTCTG CCAAAACGAC ACCCCCATCT GTCTATCCAC
401 TGGCCCCTGG ATCTGCTGCC CAAACTAACT CCATGGTGAC CCTGGGATGC
451 CTGGTCAAGG GCTATTTCCC TGAGCCAGTG ACAGTGACCT GGAACTCTGG
501 ATCCCTGTCC AGCGGTGTGC ACACCTTCCC AGCTGTCCTG CAGTCTGACC
551 TCTACACTCT GAGCAGCTCA GTGACTGTCC CCTCCAGCAC CTGGCCCAGC
601 GAGACCGTCA CCTGCAACGT TGCCCACCCG GCCAGCAGCA CCAAGGTGGA
651 CAAGAAAATT GTGCCCAGGG ATTGTGGTTG TAAGCCTTGC ATATGTACAG
701 TCCCAGAAGT ATCATCTGTC TTCATCTTCC CCCCAAAGCC CAAGGATGTG
751 CTCACCATTA CTCTGACTCC TAAGGTCACG TGTGTTGTGG TAGACATCAG
801 CAAGGATGAT CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAGCTG GTTTGTAGAT GATGTGGAGG
851 TGCACACAGC TCAGACGCAA CCCCGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACTTTC
901 CGCTCAGTCA GTGAACTTCC CATCATGCAC CAGGACTGGC TCAATGGCAA
951 GGAGTTCAAA TGCAGGGTCA ACAGTGCAGC TTTCCCTGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGCAGACCGA AGGCTCCACA GGTGTACACC
1051 ATTCCACCTC CCAAGGAGCA GATGGCCAAG GATAAAGTCA GTCTGACCTG

1101 CATGATAACA GACTTCTTCC CTGAAGACAT TACTGTGGAG TGGCAGTGGA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC AGCGGAGAAC TACAAGAACA CTCAGCCCAT CATGGACACA
1201 GATGGCTCTT ACTTCATCTA CAGCAAGCTC AATGTGCAGA AGAGCAACTG
1251 GGAGGCAGGA AATACTTTCA CCTGCTCTGT GTTACATGAG GGCCTGCACA
1301 ACCACCATAC TGAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCACT CTCCTGGTAA ATGA (SEQ ID NO:202)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-12 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSWTFLFL LSGTSGVLSE VQLQQSGPEL MKPGASVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YNMHWMKQNQ GKSLEWIGEI NPNSGGSGYN QKFKGKATLT VDKSSSTAYM
101 ELRSLTSEDS AVYYCARLGY YGNYEDWYFD VWGAGTTVTV SSAKTTPPSV
151 YPLAPGSAAQ TNSMVTLGCL VKGYFPEPVT VTWNSGSLSS GVHTFPAVLQ
201 SDLYTLSSSV TVPSSTWPSE TVTCNVAHPA SSTKVDKKIV PRDCGCKPCI
251 CTVPEVSSVF IFPPKPKDVL TITLTPKVTC VVVDISKDDP EVQFSWFVDD
301 VEVHTAQTQP REEQFNSTFR SVSELPIMHQ DWLNGKEFKC RVNSAAFPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG RPKAPQVYTI PPPKEQMAKD KVSLTCMITD FFPEDITVEW
401 QWNGQPAENY KNTQPIMDTD GSYFIYSKLN VQKSNWEAGN TFTCSVLHEG
451 LHNHHTEKSL SHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:203)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-12 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTGGACCTT TCTCTTCCTC CTGTCAGGAA CTTCGGGTGT
51 CCTCTCTGAG GTCCAGTTGC AACAGTCTGG ACCTGAACTA ATGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATACAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACAACATGC ACTGGATGAA GCAGAACCAA GGAAAGAGCC TAGAGTGGAT
201 AGGAGAGATT AATCCTAACA GTGGTGGTTC TGGTTACAAC CAGAAGTTCA
251 AAGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAGT CCTCCAGCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTCCGCA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATTGGGCTAC TATGGTAACT ACGAGGACTG GTATTTCGAT GTCTGGGGCG
401 CAGGGACCAC GGTCACCGTC TCCTCTGCCA AAACGACACC CCCATCTGTC
451 TATCCACTGG CCCCTGGATC TGCTGCCCAA ACTAACTCCA TGGTGACCCT
501 GGGATGCCTG GTCAAGGGCT ATTTCCCTGA GCCAGTGACA GTGACCTGGA
551 ACTCTGGATC CCTGTCCAGC GGTGTGCACA CCTTCCCAGC TGTCCTGCAG
601 TCTGACCTCT ACACTCTGAG CAGCTCAGTG ACTGTCCCCT CCAGCACCTG
651 GCCCAGCGAG ACCGTCACCT GCAACGTTGC CCACCCGGCC AGCAGCACCA
701 AGGTGGACAA GAAAATTGTG CCCAGGGATT GTGGTTGTAA GCCTTGCATA
751 TGTACAGTCC CAGAAGTATC ATCTGTCTTC ATCTTCCCCC CAAAGCCCAA
801 GGATGTGCTC ACCATTACTC TGACTCCTAA GGTCACGTGT GTTGTGGTAG
851 ACATCAGCAA GGATGATCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAGCTGGTT TGTAGATGAT
901 GTGGAGGTGC ACACAGCTCA GACGCAACCC CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACTTTCCGC TCAGTCAGTG AACTTCCCAT CATGCACCAG GACTGGCTCA
1001 ATGGCAAGGA GTTCAAATGC AGGGTCAACA GTGCAGCTTT CCCTGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGC AGACCGAAGG CTCCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCATT CCACCTCCCA AGGAGCAGAT GGCCAAGGAT AAAGTCAGTC
1151 TGACCTGCAT GATAACAGAC TTCTTCCCTG AAGACATTAC TGTGGAGTGG
1201 CAGTGGAATG GGCAGCCAGC GGAGAACTAC AAGAACACTC AGCCCATCAT
1251 GGACACAGAT GGCTCTTACT TCATCTACAG CAAGCTCAAT GTGCAGAAGA
1301 GCAACTGGGA GGCAGGAAAT ACTTTCACCT GCTCTGTGTT ACATGAGGGC
1351 CTGCACAACC ACCATACTGA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCACTCTC CTGGTAAATG
1401 A (SEQ ID NO:204)

Ab-13

The sequences of the Antibody 13 (also referred to herein as Ab-13) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-13 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-13 LC:

1 QIVLTQSPAI MSASPGEKVT MTCRASSSVT SSYLNWYQQK PGSSPKLWIY
51 STSNLASGVP ARFSGSGSGT SYSLTISSVE AEDAATYYCQ QYDFFPSTFG
101 GGTKLEIK*RA DAAPTVSIFP PSSEQLTSGG ASVVCFLNNF YPKDINVKWK*
151 IDGSERQNGV LNSWTDQDSK DSTYSMSSTL TLTKDEYERH NSYTCEATHK
201 TSTSPIVKSF NRNEC (SEQ ID NO:205)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-13 LC:

1 CAGATTGTTC TCACCCAGTC TCCAGCAATC ATGTCTGCAT CTCCAGGGGA
51 GAAGGTCACC ATGACCTGCA GGGCCAGCTC AAGTGTAACT TCCAGTTACT
101 TGAACTGGTA CCAGCAGAAG CCAGGATCTT CCCCCAAACT CTGGATTTAT
151 AGCACATCCA ACCTGGCTTC AGGAGTCCCA GCTCGCTTCA GTGGCAGTGG
201 GTCTGGGACC TCTTACTCTC TCACAATCAG CAGTGTGGAG GCTGAGGATG
251 CTGCCACTTA TTACTGCCAG CAGTATGATT TTTTCCCATC GACGTTCGGT
301 GGAGGCACCA AGCTGGAAAT CAAGCGGGCT GATGCTGCAC CAACTGTATC
351 CATCTTCCCA CCATCCAGTG AGCAGTTAAC ATCTGGAGGT GCCTCAGTCG
401 TGTGCTTCTT GAACAACTTC TACCCCAAAG ACATCAATGT CAAGTGGAAG
451 ATTGATGGCA GTGAACGACA AAATGGCGTC CTGAACAGTT GGACTGATCA
501 GGACAGCAAA GACAGCACCT ACAGCATGAG CAGCACCCTC ACGTTGACCA
551 AGGACGAGTA TGAACGACAT AACAGCTATA CCTGTGAGGC CACTCACAAG
601 ACATCAACTT CACCCATCGT CAAGAGCTTC AACAGGAATG AGTGT (SEQ ID NO:206)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-13 LC including signal peptide:

1 MDSQVQIFSF LLISALVKMS RGQIVLTQSP AIMSASPGEK VTMTCRASSS
51 VTSSYLNWYQ QKPGSSPKLW IYSTSNLASG VPARFSGSGS GTSYSLTISS
101 VEAEDAATYY CQQYDFFPST FGGGTKLEIK RADAAPTVSI FPPSSEQLTS
151 GGASVVCFLN NFYPKDINVK WKIDGSERQN GVLNSWTDQD SKDSTYSMSS
201 TLTLTKDEYE RHNSYTCEAT HKTSTSPIVK SFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:207)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-13 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGATTCTC AAGTGCAGAT TTTCAGCTTC CTTCTAATCA GTGCCTTAGT
51 CAAAAATGTCC AGAGGACAGA TTGTTCTCAC CCAGTCTCCA GCAATCATGT
101 CTGCATCTCC AGGGGAGAAG GTCACCATGA CCTGCAGGGC CAGCTCAAGT
151 GTAACTTCCA GTTACTTGAA CTGGTACCAG CAGAAGCCAG GATCTTCCCC
201 CAAACTCTGG ATTTATAGCA CATCCAACCT GGCTTCAGGA GTCCCAGCTC
251 GCTTCAGTGG CAGTGGGTCT GGGACCTCTT ACTCTCTCAC AATCAGCAGT
301 GTGGAGGCTG AGGATGCTGC CACTTATTAC TGCCAGCAGT ATGATTTTTT
351 CCCATCGACG TTCGGTGGAG GCACCAAGCT GGAAATCAAG CGGGCTGATG
401 CTGCACCAAC TGTATCCATC TTCCCACCAT CCAGTGAGCA GTTAACATCT
451 GGAGGTGCCT CAGTCGTGTG CTTCTTGAAC AACTTCTACC CCAAAGACAT
501 CAATGTCAAG TGGAAGATTG ATGGCAGTGA ACGACAAAAT GGCGTCCTGA

551 ACAGTTGGAC TGATCAGGAC AGCAAAGACA GCACCTACAG CATGAGCAGC
601 ACCCTCACGT TGACCAAGGA CGAGTATGAA CGACATAACA GCTATACCTG
651 TGAGGCCACT CACAAGACAT CAACTTCACC CATCGTCAAG AGCTTCAACA
701 GGAATGAGTG T (SEQ ID NO:208)

Ab-13 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-13 HC:

1 EVQLQQSGPE LVKPGASVKM SCKASGYTFT DYYMNWVKQS HGESLEWIGD
51 INPYNDDTTY NHKFKGKATL TVDKSSNTAY MQLNSLTSED SAVYYCARET
101 AVITTNAMDY WGQGTSVTVS S*AKTTPPSVY PLAPGSAAQT NSMVTLGCLV*
151 KGYFPEPVTV TWNSGSLSSG VHTFPAVLQS DLYTLSSSVT VPSSTWPSET
201 VTCNVAHPAS STKVDKKIVP RDCGCKPCIC TVPEVSSVFI FPPKPKDVLT
251 ITLTPKVTCV VVDISKDDPE VQFSWFVDDV EVHTAQTQPR EEQFNSTFRS
301 VSELPIMHQD WLNGKEFKCR VNSAAFPAPI EKTISKTKGR PKAPQVYTIP
351 PPKEQMAKDK VSLTCMITDF FPEDITVEWQ WNGQPAENYK NTQPIMDTDG
401 SYFIYSKLNV QKSNWEAGNT FTCSVLHEGL HNHHTEKSLS HSPGK (SEQ ID NO:209)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-13 HC:

1 GAGGTCCAGC TGCAACAATC TGGACCTGAG CTGGTGAAGC CTGGGGCTTC
51 AGTGAAGATG TCCTGTAAGG CTTCTGGATA CACATTCACT GACTACTACA
101 TGAACTGGGT GAAGCAGAGC CATGGAGAGA GCCTTGAGTG GATTGGAGAT
151 ATTAATCCTT ACAACGATGA TACTACCTAC AACCACAAGT TCAAGGGCAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTGTAGACA AATCCTCCAA CACAGCCTAC ATGCAGCTCA
251 ACAGCCTGAC ATCTGAGGAC TCTGCAGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGAGAGACG
301 GCCGTTATTA CTACGAATGC TATGGACTAC TGGGGTCAAG GAACCTCAGT
351 CACCGTCTCC TCAGCCAAAA CGACACCCCC ATCTGTCTAT CCACTGGCCC
401 CTGGATCTGC TGCCCAAACT AACTCCATGG TGACCCTGGG ATGCCTGGTC
451 AAGGGCTATT TCCCTGAGCC AGTGACAGTG ACCTGGAACT CTGGATCCCT
501 GTCCAGCGGT GTGCACACCT TCCCAGCTGT CCTGCAGTCT GACCTCTACA
551 CTCTGAGCAG CTCAGTGACT GTCCCCTCCA GCACCTGGCC CAGCGAGACC
601 GTCACCTGCA ACGTTGCCCA CCCGGCCAGC AGCACCAAGG TGGACAAGAA
651 AATTGTGCCC AGGGATTGTG GTTGTAAGCC TTGCATATGT ACAGTCCCAG
701 AAGTATCATC TGTCTTCATC TTCCCCCCAA AGCCCAAGGA TGTGCTCACC
751 ATTACTCTGA CTCCTAAGGT CACGTGTGTT GTGGTAGACA TCAGCAAGGA
801 TGATCCCGAG GTCCAGTTCA GCTGGTTTGT AGATGATGTG GAGGTGCACA
851 CAGCTCAGAC GCAACCCCGG GAGGAGCAGT TCAACAGCAC TTTCCGCTCA
901 GTCAGTGAAC TTCCCATCAT GCACCAGGAC TGGCTCAATG GCAAGGAGTT
951 CAAATGCAGG GTCAACAGTG CAGCTTTCCC TGCCCCCATC GAGAAAACCA
1001 TCTCCAAAAC CAAAGGCAGA CCGAAGGCTC CACAGGTGTA CACCATTCCA
1051 CCTCCCAAGG AGCAGATGGC CAAGGATAAA GTCAGTCTGA CCTGCATGAT
1101 AACAGACTTC TTCCCTGAAG ACATTACTGT GGAGTGGCAG TGGAATGGGC
1151 AGCCAGCGGA GAACTACAAG AACACTCAGC CCATCATGGA CACAGATGGC
1201 TCTTACTTCA TCTACAGCAA GCTCAATGTG CAGAAGAGCA ACTGGGAGGC
1251 AGGAAATACT TTCACCTGCT CTGTGTTACA TGAGGGCCTG CACAACCACC
1301 ATACTGAGAA GAGCCTCTCC CACTCTCCTG GTAAA (SEQ ID NO:210)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-13 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWNWIFLFL LSGTAGVYSE VQLQQSGPEL VKPGASVKMS CKASGYTFTD
51 YYMNWVKQSH GESLEWIGDI NPYNDDTTYN HKFKGKATLT VDKSSNTAYM
101 QLNSLTSEDS AVYYCARETA VITTNAMDYW GQGTSVTVSS AKTTPPSVYP
151 LAPGSAAQTN SMVTLGCLVK GYFPEPVTVT WNSGSLSSGV HTFPAVLQSD
201 LYTLSSSVTV PSSTWPSETV TCNVAHPASS TKVDKKIVPR DCGCKPCICT
251 VPEVSSVFIF PPKPKDVLTI TLTPKVTCVV VDISKDDPEV QFSWFVDDVE
301 VHTAQTQPRE EQFNSTFRSV SELPIMHQDW LNGKEFKCRV NSAAFPAPIE
351 KTISKTKGRP KAPQVYTIPP PKEQMAKDKV SLTCMITDFF PEDITVEWQW
401 NGQPAENYKN TQPIMDTDGS YFIYSKLNVQ KSNWEAGNTF TCSVLHEGLH
451 NHHTEKSLSH SPGK (SEQ ID NO:211)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-13 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA ACTGGATCTT TCTCTTCCTC TTGTCAGGAA CTGCAGGTGT
51 CTACTCTGAG GTCCAGCTGC AACAATCTGG ACCTGAGCTG GTGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCTTCAGT GAAGATGTCC TGTAAGGCTT CTGGATACAC ATTCACTGAC
151 TACTACATGA ACTGGGTGAA GCAGAGCCAT GGAGAGAGCC TTGAGTGGAT
201 TGGAGATATT AATCCTTACA ACGATGATAC TACCTACAAC CACAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCAAGGC CACATTGACT GTAGACAAAT CCTCCAACAC AGCCTACATG
301 CAGCTCAACA GCCTGACATC TGAGGACTCT GCAGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 AGAGACGGCC GTTATTACTA CGAATGCTAT GGACTACTGG GGTCAAGGAA
401 CCTCAGTCAC CGTCTCCTCA GCCAAAACGA CACCCCCATC TGTCTATCCA
451 CTGGCCCCTG GATCTGCTGC CCAAACTAAC TCCATGGTGA CCCTGGGATG
501 CCTGGTCAAG GGCTATTTCC CTGAGCCAGT GACAGTGACC TGGAACTCTG
551 GATCCCTGTC CAGCGGTGTG CACACCTTCC CAGCTGTCCT GCAGTCTGAC
601 CTCTACACTC TGAGCAGCTC AGTGACTGTC CCCTCCAGCA CCTGGCCCAG
651 CGAGACCGTC ACCTGCAACG TTGCCCACCC GGCCAGCAGC ACCAAGGTGG
701 ACAAGAAAAT TGTGCCCAGG GATTGTGGTT GTAAGCCTTG CATATGTACA
751 GTCCCAGAAG TATCATCTGT CTTCATCTTC CCCCCAAAGC CCAAGGATGT
801 GCTCACCATT ACTCTGACTC CTAAGGTCAC GTGTGTTGTG GTAGACATCA
851 GCAAGGATGA TCCCGAGGTC CAGTTCAGCT GGTTTGTAGA TGATGTGGAG
901 GTGCACACAG CTCAGACGCA ACCCCGGGAG GAGCAGTTCA ACAGCACTTT
951 CCGCTCAGTC AGTGAACTTC CCATCATGCA CCAGGACTGG CTCAATGGCA
1001 AGGAGTTCAA ATGCAGGGTC AACAGTGCAG CTTTCCCTGC CCCCATCGAG
1051 AAAACCATCT CCAAAACCAA AGGCAGACCG AAGGCTCCAC AGGTGTACAC
1101 CATTCCACCT CCCAAGGAGC AGATGGCCAA GGATAAAGTC AGTCTGACCT
1151 GCATGATAAC AGACTTCTTC CCTGAAGACA TTACTGTGGA GTGGCAGTGG
1201 AATGGGCAGC CAGCGGAGAA CTACAAGAAC ACTCAGCCCA TCATGGACAC
1251 AGATGGCTCT TACTTCATCT ACAGCAAGCT CAATGTGCAG AAGAGCAACT
1301 GGGAGGCAGG AAATACTTTC ACCTGCTCTG TGTTACATGA GGGCCTGCAC
1351 AACCACCATA CTGAGAAGAG CCTCTCCCAC TCTCCTGGTA AA (SEQ ID NO:212)

Ab-13 was humanized to generate Ab-14.

The sequences of the Antibody 14 (also referred to herein as Ab-14) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-14 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-14 LC:

1 DIQLTQSPSF LSASVGDRVT ITCRASSSVT SSYLNWYQQK PGKAPKLLIY
51 STSNLASGVP SRFSGSGSGT EFTLTISSLQ PEDFATYYCQ QYDFFPSTFG
101 GGTKVEIK*RT VAAPSVFIFP PSDEQLKSGT ASVVCLLNNF YPREAKVQWK*
151 VDNALQSGNS QESVTEQDSK DSTYSLSSTL TLSKADYEKH KVYACEVTHQ
201 GLSSPVTKSF NRGEC (SEQ ID NO:213)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-14 LC:

1 GACATCCAGC TGACCCAGAG CCCCAGCTTC CTTTCCGCAT CCGTTGGTGA
51 CCGAGTAACA ATCACATGCC GCGCCTCATC TTCAGTTACA TCTTCTTATC
101 TTAATTGGTA TCAACAAAAA CCAGGAAAAG CACCTAAACT TCTTATATAC
151 TCTACATCTA ATCTCGCATC AGGAGTTCCC TCTCGATTTT CAGGATCTGG
201 ATCAGGCACA GAATTTACAC TTACTATATC ATCACTCCAA CCAGAAGACT
251 TCGCCACTTA TTACTGCCAA CAATACGATT TTTTTCCAAG CACATTCGGA
301 GGAGGTACAA AAGTAGAAAT CAAGCGTACG GTGGCTGCAC CATCTGTCTT
351 CATCTTCCCG CCATCTGATG AGCAGTTGAA ATCTGGAACT GCCTCTGTTG
401 TGTGCCTGCT GAATAACTTC TATCCCAGAG AGGCCAAAGT ACAGTGGAAG
451 GTGGATAACG CCCTCCAATC GGGTAACTCC CAGGAGAGTG TCACAGAGCA
501 GGACAGCAAG GACAGCACCT ACAGCCTCAG CAGCACCCTG ACGCTGAGCA
551 AAGCAGACTA CGAGAAACAC AAAGTCTACG CCTGCGAAGT CACCCATCAG
601 GGCCTGAGCT CGCCCGTCAC AAAGAGCTTC AACAGGGGAG AGTGT (SEQ ID NO:214)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-14 LC including signal peptide:

1 MDMRVPAQLL GLLLLWLPGA RCDIQLTQSP SFLSASVGDR VTITCRASSS
51 VTSSYLNWYQ QKPGKAPKLL IYSTSNLASG VPSRFSGSGS GTEFTLTISS
101 LQPEDFATYY CQQYDFFPST FGGGTKVEIK RTVAAPSVFI FPPSDEQLKS
151 GTASVVCLLN NFYPREAKVQ WKVDNALQSG NSQESVTEQD SKDSTYSLSS
201 TLTLSKADYE KHKVYACEVT HQGLSSPVTK SFNRGEC (SEQ ID NO:215)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-14 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACATGA GGGTCCCCGC TCAGCTCCTG GGGCTCCTGC TACTCTGGCT
51 CCCAGGTGCC AGATGTGACA TCCAGCTGAC CCAGAGCCCC AGCTTCCTTT
101 CCGCATCCGT TGGTGACCGA GTAACAATCA CATGCCGCGC CTCATCTTCA
151 GTTACATCTT CTTATCTTAA TTGGTATCAA CAAAAACCAG GAAAAGCACC
201 TAAACTTCTT ATATACTCTA CATCTAATCT CGCATCAGGA GTTCCCTCTC
251 GATTTTCAGG ATCTGGATCA GGCACAGAAT TTACACTTAC TATATCATCA
301 CTCCAACCAG AAGACTTCGC CACTTATTAC TGCCAACAAT ACGATTTTTT
351 TCCAAGCACA TTCGGAGGAG GTACAAAAGT AGAAATCAAG CGTACGGTGG
401 CTGCACCATC TGTCTTCATC TTCCCGCCAT CTGATGAGCA GTTGAAATCT
451 GGAACTGCCT CTGTTGTGTG CCTGCTGAAT AACTTCTATC CCAGAGAGGC
501 CAAAGTACAG TGGAAGGTGG ATAACGCCCT CCAATCGGGT AACTCCCAGG
551 AGAGTGTCAC AGAGCAGGAC AGCAAGGACA GCACCTACAG CCTCAGCAGC
601 ACCCTGACGC TGAGCAAAGC AGACTACGAG AAACACAAAG TCTACGCCTG
651 CGAAGTCACC CATCAGGGCC TGAGCTCGCC CGTCACAAAG AGCTTCAACA
701 GGGGAGAGTG T (SEQ ID NO:216)

Ab-14 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-14 HC:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGYTFT DYYMNWVRQA PGQRLEWMGD
51 INPYNDDTTY NHKFKGRVTI TRDTSASTAY MELSSLRSED TAVYYCARET
101 AVITTNAMDY WGQGTTVTVS S*ASTKGPSVF PLAPCSRSTS ESTAALGCLV*
151 KDYFPEPVTV SWNSGALTSG VHTFPAVLQS SGLYSLSSVV TVPSSNFGTQ
201 TYTCNVDHKP SNTKVDKTVE RKCCVECPPC PAPPVAGPSV FLFPPKPKDT
251 LMISRTPEVT CVVVDVSHED PEVQFNWYVD GVEVHNAKTK PREEQFNSTF
301 RVVSVLTVVH QDWLNGKEYK CKVSNKGLPA PIEKTISKTK GQPREPQVYT
351 LPPSREEMTK NQVSLTCLVK GFYPSDIAVE WESNGQPENN YKTTPPMLDS
401 DGSFFLYSKL TVDKSRWQQG NVFSCSVMHE ALHNHYTQKS LSLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:217)

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-14 HC without carboxy-terminal lysine:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGYTFT DYYMNWVRQA PGQRLEWMGD
51 INPYNDDTTY NHKFKGRVTI TRDTSASTAY MELSSLRSED TAVYYCARET
101 AVITTNAMDY WGQGTTVTVS S*ASTKGPSVF PLAPCSRSTS ESTAALGCLV*
151 KDYFPEPVTV SWNSGALTSG VHTFPAVLQS SGLYSLSSVV TVPSSNFGTQ
201 TYTCNVDHKP SNTKVDKTVE RKCCVECPPC PAPPVAGPSV FLFPPKPKDT
251 LMISRTPEVT CVVVDVSHED PEVQFNWYVD GVEVHNAKTK PREEQFNSTF
301 RVVSVLTVVH QDWLNGKEYK CKVSNKGLPA PIEKTISKTK GQPREPQVYT
351 LPPSREEMTK NQVSLTCLVK GFYPSDIAVE WESNGQPENN YKTTPPMLDS
401 DGSFFLYSKL TVDKSRWQQG NVFSCSVMHE ALHNHYTQKS LSLSPG (SEQ ID NO:393)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-14 HC:

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGAG CGGCGCCGAG GTCAAGAAAC CTGGAGCAAG
51 CGTAAAGGTT AGTTGCAAAG CATCTGGATA CACATTTACC GACTACTACA
101 TGAATTGGGT ACGACAAGCC CCTGGACAAA GACTTGAATG GATGGGAGAC
151 ATTAACCCTT ATAACGACGA CACTACATAC AATCATAAAT TTAAAGGAAG
201 AGTTACAATT ACAAGAGATA CATCCGCATC AACCGCCTAT ATGGAACTTT
251 CCTCATTGAG ATCTGAAGAC ACTGCTGTTT ATTACTGTGC AAGAGAAACT
301 GCCGTTATTA CTACTAACGC TATGGATTAC TGGGGTCAAG GAACCACTGT
351 TACCGTCTCT AGTGCCTCCA CCAAGGGCCC ATCGGTCTTC CCCCTGGCGC
401 CCTGCTCCAG GAGCACCTCC GAGAGCACAG CGGCCCTGGG CTGCCTGGTC
451 AAGGACTACT TCCCCGAACC GGTGACGGTG TCGTGGAACT CAGGCGCTCT
501 GACCAGCGGC GTGCACACCT TCCCAGCTGT CCTACAGTCC TCAGGACTCT
551 ACTCCCTCAG CAGCGTGGTG ACCGTGCCCT CCAGCAACTT CGGCACCCAG
601 ACCTACACCT GCAACGTAGA TCACAAGCCC AGCAACACCA AGGTGGACAA
651 GACAGTTGAG CGCAAATGTT GTGTCGAGTG CCCACCGTGC CCAGCACCAC
701 CTGTGGCAGG ACCGTCAGTC TTCCTCTTCC CCCCAAAACC CAAGGACACC
751 CTCATGATCT CCCGGACCCC TGAGGTCACG TGCGTGGTGG TGGACGTGAG
801 CCACGAAGAC CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAACTG GTACGTGGAC GGCGTGGAGG
851 TGCATAATGC CAAGACAAAG CCACGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACGTTC
901 CGTGTGGTCA GCGTCCTCAC CGTTGTGCAC CAGGACTGGC TGAACGGCAA
951 GGAGTACAAG TGCAAGGTCT CCAACAAAGG CCTCCCAGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGGCAGCCCC GAGAACCACA GGTGTACACC

1051 CTGCCCCCAT CCCGGGAGGA GATGACCAAG AACCAGGTCA GCCTGACCTG
1101 CCTGGTCAAA GGCTTCTACC CCAGCGACAT CGCCGTGGAG TGGGAGAGCA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC GGAGAACAAC TACAAGACCA CACCTCCCAT GCTGGACTCC
1201 GACGGCTCCT TCTTCCTCTA CAGCAAGCTC ACCGTGGACA AGAGCAGGTG
1251 GCAGCAGGGG AACGTCTTCT CATGCTCCGT GATGCATGAG GCTCTGCACA
1301 ACCACTACAC GCAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCTGT CTCCGGGTAA A (SEQ ID NO:218)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-14 HC including signal peptide:

1 MDWTWRILFL VAAATGAHSE VQLVQSGAEV KKPGASVKVS CKASGYTFTD
51 YYMNWVRQAP GQRLEWMGDI NPYNDDTTYN HKFKGRVTIT RDTSASTAYM
101 ELSSLRSEDT AVYYCARETA VITTNAMDYW GQGTTVTVSS ASTKGPSVFP
151 LAPCSRSTSE STAALGCLVK DYFPEPVTVS WNSGALTSGV HTFPAVLQSS
201 GLYSLSSVVT VPSSNFGTQT YTCNVDHKPS NTKVDKTVER KCCVECPPCP
251 APPVAGPSVF LFPPKPKDTL MISRTPEVTC VVVDVSHEDP EVQFNWYVDG
301 VEVHNAKTKP REEQFNSTFR VVSVLTVVHQ DWLNGKEYKC KVSNKGLPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG QPREPQVYTL PPSREEMTKN QVSLTCLVKG FYPSDIAVEW
401 ESNGQPENNY KTTPPMLDSD GSFFLYSKLT VDKSRWQQGN VFSCSVMHEA
451 LHNHYTQKSL SLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:219)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-14 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACTGGA CCTGGAGGAT CCTCTTCTTG GTGGCAGCAG CCACAGGAGC
51 CCACTCCGAG GTGCAGCTGG TGCAGAGCGG CGCCGAGGTC AAGAAACCTG
101 GAGCAAGCGT AAAGGTTAGT TGCAAAGCAT CTGGATACAC ATTTACCGAC
151 TACTACATGA ATTGGGTACG ACAAGCCCCT GGACAAAGAC TTGAATGGAT
201 GGGAGACATT AACCCTTATA ACGACGACAC TACATACAAT CATAAATTTA
251 AAGGAAGAGT TACAATTACA AGAGATACAT CCGCATCAAC CGCCTATATG
301 GAACTTTCCT CATTGAGATC TGAAGACACT GCTGTTTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 AGAAACTGCC GTTATTACTA CTAACGCTAT GGATTACTGG GGTCAAGGAA
401 CCACTGTTAC CGTCTCTAGT GCCTCCACCA AGGGCCCATC GGTCTTCCCC
451 CTGGCGCCCT GCTCCAGGAG CACCTCCGAG AGCACAGCGG CCCTGGGCTG
501 CCTGGTCAAG GACTACTTCC CCGAACCGGT GACGGTGTCG TGGAACTCAG
551 GCGCTCTGAC CAGCGGCGTG CACACCTTCC CAGCTGTCCT ACAGTCCTCA
601 GGACTCTACT CCCTCAGCAG CGTGGTGACC GTGCCCTCCA GCAACTTCGG
651 CACCCAGACC TACACCTGCA ACGTAGATCA CAAGCCCAGC AACACCAAGG
701 TGGACAAGAC AGTTGAGCGC AAATGTTGTG TCGAGTGCCC ACCGTGCCCA
751 GCACCACCTG TGGCAGGACC GTCAGTCTTC CTCTTCCCCC CAAAACCCAA
801 GGACACCCTC ATGATCTCCC GGACCCCTGA GGTCACGTGC GTGGTGGTGG
851 ACGTGAGCCA CGAAGACCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAACTGGTA CGTGGACGGC
901 GTGGAGGTGC ATAATGCCAA GACAAAGCCA CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACGTTCCGT GTGGTCAGCG TCCTCACCGT TGTGCACCAG GACTGGCTGA
1001 ACGGCAAGGA GTACAAGTGC AAGGTCTCCA ACAAAGGCCT CCCAGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGG CAGCCCCGAG AACCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCCTG CCCCCATCCC GGGAGGAGAT GACCAAGAAC CAGGTCAGCC
1151 TGACCTGCCT GGTCAAAGGC TTCTACCCCA GCGACATCGC CGTGGAGTGG
1201 GAGAGCAATG GGCAGCCGGA GAACAACTAC AAGACCACAC CTCCCATGCT
1251 GGACTCCGAC GGCTCCTTCT TCCTCTACAG CAAGCTCACC GTGGACAAGA
1301 GCAGGTGGCA GCAGGGGAAC GTCTTCTCAT GCTCCGTGAT GCATGAGGCT
1351 CTGCACAACC ACTACACGCA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCTGTCTC CGGGTAAA

(SEQ ID NO:220)

The CDR sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-14 are:

CDR-H1: DYYMN (SEQ ID NO:296)

CDR-H2: DINPYNDDTTYNHKFKG (SEQ ID NO:297)

CDR-H3: ETAVITTNAMD (SEQ ID NO:298)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-14 are:

CDR-L1: RASSSVTSSYLN (SEQ ID NO:284)

CDR-L2: STSNLAS (SEQ ID NO:285)

CDR-L3: QQYDFFPST (SEQ ID NO:286)

Ab-14 Variable domains:

Ab-14 light chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 DIQLTQSPSF LSASVGDRVT ITCRASSSVT SSYLNWYQQK PGKAPKLLIY
51 STSNLASGVP SRFSGSGSGT EFTLTISSLQ PEDFATYYCQ QYDFFPSTFG
101 GGTKVEIK (SEQ ID NO:380)

Ab-14 light chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GACATCCAGC TGACCCAGAG CCCCAGCTTC CTTTCCGCAT CCGTTGGTGA
51 CCGAGTAACA ATCACATGCC GCGCCTCATC TTCAGTTACA TCTTCTTATC
101 TTAATTGGTA TCAACAAAAA CCAGGAAAAG CACCTAAACT TCTTATATAC
151 TCTACATCTA ATCTCGCATC AGGAGTTCCC TCTCGATTTT CAGGATCTGG
201 ATCAGGCACA GAATTTACAC TTACTATATC ATCACTCCAA CCAGAAGACT
251 TCGCCACTTA TTACTGCCAA CAATACGATT TTTTTCCAAG CACATTCGGA
301 GGAGGTACAA AAGTAGAAAT CAAG (SEQ ID NO:381)

Ab-14 heavy chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGYTFT DYYMNWVRQA PGQRLEWMGD
51 INPYNDDTTY NHKFKGRVTI TRDTSASTAY MELSSLRSED TAVYYCARET
101 AVITTNAMDY WGQGTTVTVS S (SEQ ID NO:382)

Ab-14 heavy chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGAG CGGCGCCGAG GTCAAGAAAC CTGGAGCAAG
51 CGTAAAGGTT AGTTGCAAAG CATCTGGATA CACATTTACC GACTACTACA
101 TGAATTGGGT ACGACAAGCC CCTGGACAAA GACTTGAATG GATGGGAGAC
151 ATTAACCCTT ATAACGACGA CACTACATAC AATCATAAAT TTAAAGGAAG
201 AGTTACAATT ACAAGAGATA CATCCGCATC AACCGCCTAT ATGGAACTTT
251 CCTCATTGAG ATCTGAAGAC ACTGCTGTTT ATTACTGTGC AAGAGAAACT

301 GCCGTTATTA CTACTAACGC TATGGATTAC TGGGGTCAAG GAACCACTGT
351 TACCGTCTCT AGT (SEQ ID NO:383)

Ab-3 was humanized to generate Ab-15.

Ab-15

The sequences of the Antibody 15 (also referred to herein as Ab-15) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-15 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-15 LC:

1 DIQMTQSPSS LSASVGDRVT ITCSVSSTIS SNHLHWFQQK PGKAPKSLIY
51 GTSNLASGVP SRFSGSGSGT DFTLTISSLQ PEDFATYYCQ QWSSYPLTFG
101 GGTKVEIK***RT VAAPSVFIFP PSDEQLKSGT ASVVCLLNNF YPREAKVQWK***
151 VDNALQSGNS QESVTEQDSK DSTYSLSSTL TLSKADYEKH KVYACEVTHQ
201 GLSSPVTKSF NRGEC (SEQ ID NO:221)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-15 LC:

1 GACATCCAGA TGACCCAGTC TCCATCCTCC CTCTCAGCAT CCGTAGGCGA
51 TAGAGTTACA ATAACATGCA GCGTATCATC AACTATATCA TCAAATCATC
101 TTCATTGGTT CCAACAGAAA CCCGGCAAAG CACCTAAATC ACTTATATAC
151 GGCACATCAA ATCTCGCATC AGGCGTTCCT TCAAGATTTT CAGGCTCTGG
201 CTCAGGCACC GACTTTACTC TTACAATATC CTCCCTCCAA CCCGAAGACT
251 TCGCAACCTA TTACTGTCAA CAATGGTCCT CATATCCACT CACATTTGGC
301 GGCGGCACAA AAGTAGAAAT TAAACGTACG GTGGCTGCAC CATCTGTCTT
351 CATCTTCCCG CCATCTGATG AGCAGTTGAA ATCTGGAACT GCCTCTGTTG
401 TGTGCCTGCT GAATAACTTC TATCCCAGAG AGGCCAAAGT ACAGTGGAAG
451 GTGGATAACG CCCTCCAATC GGGTAACTCC CAGGAGAGTG TCACAGAGCA
501 GGACAGCAAG GACAGCACCT ACAGCCTCAG CAGCACCCTG ACGCTGAGCA
551 AAGCAGACTA CGAGAAACAC AAAGTCTACG CCTGCGAAGT CACCCATCAG
601 GGCCTGAGCT CGCCCGTCAC AAAGAGCTTC AACAGGGGAG AGTGT (SEQ ID NO:222)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-15 LC including signal peptide:

1 MDMRVPAQLL GLLLLWLRGA RCDIQMTQSP SSLSASVGDR VTITCSVSST
51 ISSNHLHWFQ QKPGKAPKSL IYGTSNLASG VPSRFSGSGS GTDFTLTISS
101 LQPEDFATYY CQQWSSYPLT FGGGTKVEIK RTVAAPSVFI FPPSDEQLKS
151 GTASVVCLLN NFYPREAKVQ WKVDNALQSG NSQESVTEQD SKDSTYSLSS
201 TLTLSKADYE KHKVYACEVT HQGLSSPVTK SFNRGEC (SEQ ID NO:223)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-15 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACATGA GGGTCCCCGC TCAGCTCCTG GGGCTCCTGC TACTCTGGCT
51 CCGAGGTGCC AGATGTGACA TCCAGATGAC CCAGTCTCCA TCCTCCCTCT

101 CAGCATCCGT AGGCGATAGA GTTACAATAA CATGCAGCGT ATCATCAACT
151 ATATCATCAA ATCATCTTCA TTGGTTCCAA CAGAAACCCG GCAAAGCACC
201 TAAATCACTT ATATACGGCA CATCAAATCT CGCATCAGGC GTTCCTTCAA
251 GATTTTCAGG CTCTGGCTCA GGCACCGACT TTACTCTTAC AATATCCTCC
301 CTCCAACCCG AAGACTTCGC AACCTATTAC TGTCAACAAT GGTCCTCATA
351 TCCACTCACA TTTGGCGGCG GCACAAAAGT AGAAATTAAA CGTACGGTGG
401 CTGCACCATC TGTCTTCATC TTCCCGCCAT CTGATGAGCA GTTGAAATCT
451 GGAACTGCCT CTGTTGTGTG CCTGCTGAAT AACTTCTATC CCAGAGAGGC
501 CAAAGTACAG TGGAAGGTGG ATAACGCCCT CCAATCGGGT AACTCCCAGG
551 AGAGTGTCAC AGAGCAGGAC AGCAAGGACA GCACCTACAG CCTCAGCAGC
601 ACCCTGACGC TGAGCAAAGC AGACTACGAG AAACACAAAG TCTACGCCTG
651 CGAAGTCACC CATCAGGGCC TGAGCTCGCC CGTCACAAAG AGCTTCAACA
701 GGGGAGAGTG T (SEQ ID NO:224)

Ab-15 Heavy Chain

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-15 HC.

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASDFNIK DFYLHWVRQA PGQGLEWIGR
51 IDPENGDTLY DPKFQDKVTM TTDTSTSTAY MELRSLRSDD TAVYYCAREA
101 DYFHDGTSYW YFDVWGRGTL VTVSS*ASTKG PSVFPLAPCS RSTSESTAAL*
151 GCLVKDYFPE PVTVSWNSGA LTSGVHTFPA VLQSSGLYSL SSVVTVPSSN
201 FGTQTYTCNV DHKPSNTKVD KTVERKCCVE CPPCPAPPVA GPSVFLFPPK
251 PKDTLMISRT PEVTCVVVDV SHEDPEVQFN WYVDGVEVHN AKTKPREEQF
301 NSTFRVVSVL TVVHQDWLNG KEYKCKVSNK GLPAPIEKTI SKTKGQPREP
351 QVYTLPPSRE EMTKNQVSLT CLVKGFYPSD IAVEWESNGQ PENNYKTTPP
401 MLDSDGSFFL YSKLTVDKSR WQQGNVFSCS VMHEALHNHY TQKSLSLSPG
451 K (SEQ ID NO:225)

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of Ab-15 HC without carboxy-terminal lysine:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASDFNIK DFYLHWVRQA PGQGLEWIGR
51 IDPENGDTLY DPKFQDKVTM TTDTSTSTAY MELRSLRSDD TAVYYCAREA
101 DYFHDGTSYW YFDVWGRGTL VTVSS*ASTKG PSVFPLAPCS RSTSESTAAL*
151 GCLVKDYFPE PVTVSWNSGA LTSGVHTFPA VLQSSGLYSL SSVVTVPSSN
201 FGTQTYTCNV DHKPSNTKVD KTVERKCCVE CPPCPAPPVA GPSVFLFPPK
251 PKDTLMISRT PEVTCVVVDV SHEDPEVQFN WYVDGVEVHN AKTKPREEQF
301 NSTFRVVSVL TVVHQDWLNG KEYKCKVSNK GLPAPIEKTI SKTKGQPREP
351 QVYTLPPSRE EMTKNQVSLT CLVKGFYPSD IAVEWESNGQ PENNYKTTPP
401 MLDSDGSFFL YSKLTVDKSR WQQGNVFSCS VMHEALHNHY TQKSLSLSPG
451 (SEQ ID NO:394)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-15 HC:

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGTC TGGGGCTGAG GTGAAGAAGC CTGGGGCCTC

51 AGTGAAGGTC TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGACTT CAACATTAAA GACTTCTATC
101 TACACTGGGT GCGACAGGCC CCTGGACAAG GGCTTGAGTG GATTGGAAGG
151 ATTGATCCTG AGAATGGTGA TACTTTATAT GACCCGAAGT TCCAGGACAA
201 GGTCACCATG ACCACAGACA CGTCCACCAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTGA
251 GGAGCCTGAG ATCTGACGAC ACGGCCGTGT ATTACTGTGC GAGAGAGGCG
301 GATTATTTCC ACGATGGTAC CTCCTACTGG TACTTCGATG TCTGGGGCCG
351 TGGCACCCTG GTCACCGTCT CTAGTGCCTC CACCAAGGGC CCATCGGTCT
401 TCCCCCTGGC GCCCTGCTCC AGGAGCACCT CCGAGAGCAC AGCGGCCCTG
451 GGCTGCCTGG TCAAGGACTA CTTCCCCGAA CCGGTGACGG TGTCGTGGAA
501 CTCAGGCGCT CTGACCAGCG GCGTGCACAC CTTCCCAGCT GTCCTACAGT
551 CCTCAGGACT CTACTCCCTC AGCAGCGTGG TGACCGTGCC CTCCAGCAAC
601 TTCGGCACCC AGACCTACAC CTGCAACGTA GATCACAAGC CCAGCAACAC
651 CAAGGTGGAC AAGACAGTTG AGCGCAAATG TTGTGTCGAG TGCCCACCGT
701 GCCCAGCACC ACCTGTGGCA GGACCGTCAG TCTTCCTCTT CCCCCCAAAA
751 CCCAAGGACA CCCTCATGAT CTCCCGGACC CCTGAGGTCA CGTGCGTGGT
801 GGTGGACGTG AGCCACGAAG ACCCCGAGGT CCAGTTCAAC TGGTACGTGG
851 ACGGCGTGGA GGTGCATAAT GCCAAGACAA AGCCACGGGA GGAGCAGTTC
901 AACAGCACGT TCCGTGTGGT CAGCGTCCTC ACCGTTGTGC ACCAGGACTG
951 GCTGAACGGC AAGGAGTACA AGTGCAAGGT CTCCAACAAA GGCCTCCCAG
1001 CCCCCATCGA GAAAACCATC TCCAAAACCA AAGGGCAGCC CCGAGAACCA
1051 CAGGTGTACA CCCTGCCCCC ATCCCGGGAG GAGATGACCA AGAACCAGGT
1101 CAGCCTGACC TGCCTGGTCA AAGGCTTCTA CCCCAGCGAC ATCGCCGTGG
1151 AGTGGGAGAG CAATGGGCAG CCGGAGAACA ACTACAAGAC CACACCTCCC
1201 ATGCTGGACT CCGACGGCTC CTTCTTCCTC TACAGCAAGC TCACCGTGGA
1251 CAAGAGCAGG TGGCAGCAGG GGAACGTCTT CTCATGCTCC GTGATGCATG
1301 AGGCTCTGCA CAACCACTAC ACGCAGAAGA GCCTCTCCCT GTCTCCGGGT
1351 AAA (SEQ ID NO:226)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-15 HC including signal peptide:

1 MDWTWRILFL VAAATGAHSE VQLVQSGAEV KKPGASVKVS CKASDFNIKD
51 FYLHWVRQAP GQGLEWIGRI DPENGDTLYD PKFQDKVTMT TDTSTSTAYM
101 ELRSLRSDDT AVYYCAREAD YFHDGTSYWY FDVWGRGTLV TVSSASTKGP
151 SVFPLAPCSR STSESTAALG CLVKDYFPEP VTVSWNSGAL TSGVHTFPAV
201 LQSSGLYSLS SVVTVPSSNF GTQTYTCNVD HKPSNTKVDK TVERKCCVEC
251 PPCPAPPVAG PSVFLFPPKP KDTLMISRTP EVTCVVVDVS HEDPEVQFNW
301 YVDGVEVHNA KTKPREEQFN STFRVVSVLT VVHQDWLNGK EYKCKVSNKG
351 LPAPIEKTIS KTKGQPREPQ VYTLPPSREE MTKNQVSLTC LVKGFYPSDI
401 AVEWESNGQP ENNYKTTPPM LDSDGSFFLY SKLTVDKSRW QQGNVFSCSV
451 MHEALHNHYT QKSLSLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:227)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-15 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACTGGA CCTGGAGGAT CCTCTTCTTG GTGGCAGCAG CCACAGGAGC
51 CCACTCCGAG GTGCAGCTGG TGCAGTCTGG GGCTGAGGTG AAGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCCTCAGT GAAGGTCTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGACTTCAA CATTAAAGAC
151 TTCTATCTAC ACTGGGTGCG ACAGGCCCCT GGACAAGGGC TTGAGTGGAT
201 TGGAAGGATT GATCCTGAGA ATGGTGATAC TTTATATGAC CCGAAGTTCC
251 AGGACAAGGT CACCATGACC ACAGACACGT CCACCAGCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTGAGGA GCCTGAGATC TGACGACACG GCCGTGTATT ACTGTGCGAG

351 AGAGGCGGAT TATTTCCACG ATGGTACCTC CTACTGGTAC TTCGATGTCT
401 GGGGCCGTGG CACCCTGGTC ACCGTCTCTA GTGCCTCCAC CAAGGGCCCA
451 TCGGTCTTCC CCCTGGCGCC CTGCTCCAGG AGCACCTCCG AGAGCACAGC
501 GGCCCTGGGC TGCCTGGTCA AGGACTACTT CCCCGAACCG GTGACGGTGT
551 CGTGGAACTC AGGCGCTCTG ACCAGCGGCG TGCACACCTT CCCAGCTGTC
601 CTACAGTCCT CAGGACTCTA CTCCCTCAGC AGCGTGGTGA CCGTGCCCTC
651 CAGCAACTTC GGCACCCAGA CCTACACCTG CAACGTAGAT CACAAGCCCA
701 GCAACACCAA GGTGGACAAG ACAGTTGAGC GCAAATGTTG TGTCGAGTGC
751 CCACCGTGCC CAGCACCACC TGTGGCAGGA CCGTCAGTCT TCCTCTTCCC
801 CCCAAAACCC AAGGACACCC TCATGATCTC CCGGACCCCT GAGGTCACGT
851 GCGTGGTGGT GGACGTGAGC CACGAAGACC CCGAGGTCCA GTTCAACTGG
901 TACGTGGACG GCGTGGAGGT GCATAATGCC AAGACAAAGC CACGGGAGGA
951 GCAGTTCAAC AGCACGTTCC GTGTGGTCAG CGTCCTCACC GTTGTGCACC
1001 AGGACTGGCT GAACGGCAAG GAGTACAAGT GCAAGGTCTC CAACAAAGGC
1051 CTCCCAGCCC CCATCGAGAA AACCATCTCC AAAACCAAAG GGCAGCCCCG
1101 AGAACCACAG GTGTACACCC TGCCCCCATC CCGGGAGGAG ATGACCAAGA
1151 ACCAGGTCAG CCTGACCTGC CTGGTCAAAG GCTTCTACCC CAGCGACATC
1201 GCCGTGGAGT GGGAGAGCAA TGGGCAGCCG GAGAACAACT ACAAGACCAC
1251 ACCTCCCATG CTGGACTCCG ACGGCTCCTT CTTCCTCTAC AGCAAGCTCA
1301 CCGTGGACAA GAGCAGGTGG CAGCAGGGGA ACGTCTTCTC ATGCTCCGTG
1351 ATGCATGAGG CTCTGCACAA CCACTACACG CAGAAGAGCC TCTCCCTGTC
1401 TCCGGGTAAA (SEQ ID NO:228)

The CDR sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-15 are:

CDR-H1: DFYLH (SEQ ID NO:290)

CDR-H2: RIDPENGDTLYDPKFQD (SEQ ID NO:291)

CDR-H3: EADYFHDGTSYWYFDV (SEQ ID NO:292)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-15 are:

CDR-L1: SVSSTISSNHLH (SEQ ID NO:278)

CDR-L2: GTSNLAS (SEQ ID NO:279)

CDR-L3: QQWSSYPLT (SEQ ID NO:280)

Ab-15 Variable domains:

Ab-15 light chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 DIQMTQSPSS LSASVGDRVT ITCSVSSTIS SNHLHWFQQK PGKAPKSLIY
51 GTSNLASGVP SRFSGSGSGT DFTLTISSLQ PEDFATYYCQ QWSSYPLTFG
101 GGTKVEIK (SEQ ID NO:384)

Ab-15 light chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GACATCCAGA TGACCCAGTC TCCATCCTCC CTCTCAGCAT CCGTAGGCGA
51 TAGAGTTACA ATAACATGCA GCGTATCATC AACTATATCA TCAAATCATC

101 TTCATTGGTT CCAACAGAAA CCCGGCAAAG CACCTAAATC ACTTATATAC
151 GGCACATCAA ATCTCGCATC AGGCGTTCCT TCAAGATTTT CAGGCTCTGG
201 CTCAGGCACC GACTTTACTC TTACAATATC CTCCCTCCAA CCCGAAGACT
251 TCGCAACCTA TTACTGTCAA CAATGGTCCT CATATCCACT CACATTTGGC
301 GGCGGCACAA AAGTAGAAAT TAAA (SEQ ID NO:385)

Ab-15 heavy chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASDFNIK DFYLHWVRQA PGQGLEWIGR
51 IDPENGDTLY DPKFQDKVTM TTDTSTSTAY MELRSLRSDD TAVYYCAREA
101 DYFHDGTSYW YFDVWGRGTL VTVSS (SEQ ID NO:386)

Ab-15 heavy chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGTC TGGGGCTGAG GTGAAGAAGC CTGGGGCCTC
51 AGTGAAGGTC TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGACTT CAACATTAAA GACTTCTATC
101 TACACTGGGT GCGACAGGCC CCTGGACAAG GGCTTGAGTG GATTGGAAGG
151 ATTGATCCTG AGAATGGTGA TACTTTATAT GACCCGAAGT TCCAGGACAA
201 GGTCACCATG ACCACAGACA CGTCCACCAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTGA
251 GGAGCCTGAG ATCTGACGAC ACGGCCGTGT ATTACTGTGC GAGAGAGGCG
301 GATTATTTCC ACGATGGTAC CTCCTACTGG TACTTCGATG TCTGGGGCCG
351 TGGCACCCTG GTCACCGTCT CTAGT (SEQ ID NO:387)

Ab-11 was humanized to generate Ab-16.

Ab-16

The sequences of the Antibody 16 (also referred to herein as Ab-16) LC and HC are as follows:

Ab-16 Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-16 LC:

1 DIQLTQSPSF LSASVGDRVT ITCRASSSIS YIHWYQQKPG KAPKLLIYAT
51 SNLASGVPSR FSGSGSGTEF TLTISSLQPE DFATYYCQQW SSDPLTFGGG
101 TKVEIK***RTVA APSVFIFPPS DEQLKSGTAS VVCLLNNFYP REAKVQWKVD***
151 NALQSGNSQE SVTEQDSKDS TYSLSSTLTL SKADYEKHKV YACEVTHQGL
201 SSPVTKSFNR GEC (SEQ ID NO:229)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-16 LC:

1 GACATCCAGT TGACCCAGTC TCCATCCTTC CTGTCTGCAT CTGTAGGAGA
51 CAGAGTCACC ATCACTTGCA GGGCCAGCTC AAGTATAAGT TACATACACT
101 GGTATCAGCA AAAACCAGGG AAAGCCCCTA AGCTCCTGAT CTATGCCACA
151 TCCAACCTGG CTTCTGGGGT CCCATCAAGG TTCAGCGGCA GTGGATCTGG
201 GACAGAATTC ACTCTCACAA TCAGCAGCCT GCAGCCTGAA GATTTTGCAA
251 CTTATTACTG TCAGCAGTGG AGTAGTGACC CACTCACGTT CGGCGGAGGG
301 ACCAAGGTGG AGATCAAACG TACGGTGGCT GCACCATCTG TCTTCATCTT
351 CCCGCCATCT GATGAGCAGT TGAAATCTGG AACTGCCTCT GTTGTGTGCC

401 TGCTGAATAA CTTCTATCCC AGAGAGGCCA AAGTACAGTG GAAGGTGGAT
451 AACGCCCTCC AATCGGGTAA CTCCCAGGAG AGTGTCACAG AGCAGGACAG
501 CAAGGACAGC ACCTACAGCC TCAGCAGCAC CCTGACGCTG AGCAAAGCAG
551 ACTACGAGAA ACACAAAGTC TACGCCTGCG AAGTCACCCA TCAGGGCCTG
601 AGCTCGCCCG TCACAAAGAG CTTCAACAGG GGAGAGTGT (SEQ ID NO:230)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-16 LC including signal peptide:

1 MDMRVPAQLL GLLLLWLPGA RCDIQLTQSP SFLSASVGDR VTITCRASSS
51 ISYIHWYQQK PGKAPKLLIY ATSNLASGVP SRFSGSGSGT EFTLTISSLQ
101 PEDFATYYCQ QWSSDPLTFG GGTKVEIKRT VAAPSVFIFP PSDEQLKSGT
151 ASVVCLLNNF YPREAKVQWK VDNALQSGNS QESVTEQDSK DSTYSLSSTL
201 TLSKADYEKH KVYACEVTHQ GLSSPVTKSF NRGEC (SEQ ID NO:231)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-16 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACATGA GGGTCCCCGC TCAGCTCCTG GGGCTCCTGC TGCTCTGGCT
51 CCCAGGTGCC AGATGTGACA TCCAGTTGAC CCAGTCTCCA TCCTTCCTGT
101 CTGCATCTGT AGGAGACAGA GTCACCATCA CTTGCAGGGC CAGCTCAAGT
151 ATAAGTTACA TACACTGGTA TCAGCAAAAA CCAGGGAAAG CCCCTAAGCT
201 CCTGATCTAT GCCACATCCA ACCTGGCTTC TGGGGTCCCA TCAAGGTTCA
251 GCGGCAGTGG ATCTGGGACA GAATTCACTC TCACAATCAG CAGCCTGCAG
301 CCTGAAGATT TTGCAACTTA TTACTGTCAG CAGTGGAGTA GTGACCCACT
351 CACGTTCGGC GGAGGGACCA AGGTGGAGAT CAAACGTACG GTGGCTGCAC
401 CATCTGTCTT CATCTTCCCG CCATCTGATG AGCAGTTGAA ATCTGGAACT
451 GCCTCTGTTG TGTGCCTGCT GAATAACTTC TATCCCAGAG AGGCCAAAGT
501 ACAGTGGAAG GTGGATAACG CCCTCCAATC GGGTAACTCC CAGGAGAGTG
551 TCACAGAGCA GGACAGCAAG GACAGCACCT ACAGCCTCAG CAGCACCCTG
601 ACGCTGAGCA AAGCAGACTA CGAGAAACAC AAAGTCTACG CCTGCGAAGT
651 CACCCATCAG GGCCTGAGCT CGCCCGTCAC AAAGAGCTTC AACAGGGGAG
701 AGTGT (SEQ ID NO:232)

Ab-16 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-16 HC:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGFDIKDYYIHWVRQA PGQGLEWIGR
51 VDPDNGETEF APKFPGKVTM TTDTSISTAY MELSRLRSDD TAVYYCARED
101 YDGTYTWFPY WGQGTLVTVS S*ASTKGPSVF PLAPCSRSTS ESTAALGCLV*
151 KDYFPEPVTV SWNSGALTSG VHTFPAVLQS SGLYSLSSVV TVPSSNFGTQ
201 TYTCNVDHKP SNTKVDKTVE RKCCVECPPC PAPPVAGPSV FLFPPKPKDT
251 LMISRTPEVT CVVVDVSHED PEVQFNWYVD GVEVHNAKTK PREEQFNSTF
301 RVVSVLTVVH QDWLNGKEYK CKVSNKGLPA PIEKTISKTK GQPREPQVYT
351 LPPSREEMTK NQVSLTCLVK GFYPSDIAVE WESNGQPENN YKTTPPMLDS

401 DGSFFLYSKL TVDKSRWQQG NVFSCSVMHE ALHNHYTQKS LSLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:233)

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-16 HC without carboxy-terminal lysine:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGFDIK DYYIHWVRQA PGQGLEWIGR
51 VDPDNGETEF APKFPGKVTM TTDTSISTAY MELSRLRSDD TAVYYCARED
101 YDGTYTWFPY WGQGTLVTVS *SASTKGPSVF PLAPCSRSTS ESTAALGCLV*
151 KDYFPEPVTV SWNSGALTSG VHTFPAVLQS SGLYSLSSVV TVPSSNFGTQ
201 TYTCNVDHKP SNTKVDKTVE RKCCVECPPC PAPPVAGPSV FLFPPKPKDT
251 LMISRTPEVT CVVVDVSHED PEVQFNWYVD GVEVHNAKTK PREEQFNSTF
301 RVVSVLTVVH QDWLNGKEYK CKVSNKGLPA PIEKTISKTK GQPREPQVYT
351 LPPSREEMTK NQVSLTCLVK GFYPSDIAVE WESNGQPENN YKTTPPMLDS
401 DGSFFLYSKL TVDKSRWQQG NVFSCSVMHE ALHNHYTQKS LSLSPG (SEQ ID NO:395)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-16 HC:

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGTC TGGGGCTGAG GTGAAGAAGC CTGGGGCCTC
51 AGTGAAGGTC TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATT CGACATTAAG GACTACTATA
101 TACACTGGGT GCGACAGGCC CCTGGACAAG GGCTTGAGTG GATCGGAAGG
151 GTTGATCCTG ACAATGGTGA GACTGAATTT GCCCCGAAGT TCCCGGGCAA
201 GGTCACCATG ACCACAGACA CGTCCATCAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTGA
251 GCAGGCTGAG ATCTGACGAC ACGGCCGTGT ATTACTGTGC GAGAGAAGAC
301 TACGATGGTA CCTACACCTG GTTTCCTTAT TGGGGCCAAG GGACTCTGGT
351 CACCGTCTCT AGTGCCTCCA CCAAGGGCCC ATCGGTCTTC CCCCTGGCGC
401 CCTGCTCCAG GAGCACCTCC GAGAGCACAG CGGCCCTGGG CTGCCTGGTC
451 AAGGACTACT TCCCCGAACC GGTGACGGTG TCGTGGAACT CAGGCGCTCT
501 GACCAGCGGC GTGCACACCT TCCCAGCTGT CCTACAGTCC TCAGGACTCT
551 ACTCCCTCAG CAGCGTGGTG ACCGTGCCCT CCAGCAACTT CGGCACCCAG
601 ACCTACACCT GCAACGTAGA TCACAAGCCC AGCAACACCA AGGTGGACAA
651 GACAGTTGAG CGCAAATGTT GTGTCGAGTG CCCACCGTGC CCAGCACCAC
701 CTGTGGCAGG ACCGTCAGTC TTCCTCTTCC CCCCAAAACC CAAGGACACC
751 CTCATGATCT CCCGGACCCC TGAGGTCACG TGCGTGGTGG TGGACGTGAG
801 CCACGAAGAC CCCGAGGTCC AGTTCAACTG GTACGTGGAC GGCGTGGAGG
851 TGCATAATGC CAAGACAAAG CCACGGGAGG AGCAGTTCAA CAGCACGTTC
901 CGTGTGGTCA GCGTCCTCAC CGTTGTGCAC CAGGACTGGC TGAACGGCAA
951 GGAGTACAAG TGCAAGGTCT CCAACAAAGG CCTCCCAGCC CCCATCGAGA
1001 AAACCATCTC CAAAACCAAA GGGCAGCCCC GAGAACCACA GGTGTACACC
1051 CTGCCCCCAT CCCGGGAGGA GATGACCAAG AACCAGGTCA GCCTGACCTG
1101 CCTGGTCAAA GGCTTCTACC CCAGCGACAT CGCCGTGGAG TGGGAGAGCA
1151 ATGGGCAGCC GGAGAACAAC TACAAGACCA CACCTCCCAT GCTGGACTCC
1201 GACGGCTCCT TCTTCCTCTA CAGCAAGCTC ACCGTGGACA AGAGCAGGTG
1251 GCAGCAGGGG AACGTCTTCT CATGCTCCGT GATGCATGAG GCTCTGCACA
1301 ACCACTACAC GCAGAAGAGC CTCTCCCTGT CTCCGGGTAA A (SEQ ID NO:234)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-16 HC including signal peptide:

1 MDWTWRILFL VAAATGAHSE VQLVQSGAEV KKPGASVKVS CKASGFDIKD
51 YYIHWVRQAP GQGLEWIGRV DPDNGETEFA PKFPGKVTMT TDTSISTAYM
101 ELSRLRSDDT AVYYCAREDY DGTYTWFPYW GQGTLVTVSS ASTKGPSVFP
151 LAPCSRSTSE STAALGCLVK DYFPEPVTVS WNSGALTSGV HTFPAVLQSS
201 GLYSLSSVVT VPSSNFGTQT YTCNVDHKPS NTKVDKTVER KCCVECPPCP
251 APPVAGPSVF LFPPKPKDTL MISRTPEVTC VVVDVSHEDP EVQFNWYVDG
301 VEVHNAKTKP REEQFNSTFR VVSVLTVVHQ DWLNGKEYKC KVSNKGLPAP
351 IEKTISKTKG QPREPQVYTL PPSREEMTKN QVSLTCLVKG FYPSDIAVEW
401 ESNGQPENNY KTTPPMLDSD GSFFLYSKLT VDKSRWQQGN VFSCSVMHEA
451 LHNHYTQKSL SLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:235)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-16 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACTGGA CCTGGAGGAT CCTCTTCTTG GTGGCAGCAG CCACAGGAGC
51 CCACTCCGAG GTGCAGCTGG TGCAGTCTGG GGCTGAGGTG AAGAAGCCTG
101 GGGCCTCAGT GAAGGTCTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGATTCGA CATTAAGGAC
151 TACTATATAC ACTGGGTGCG ACAGGCCCCT GGACAAGGGC TTGAGTGGAT
201 CGGAAGGGTT GATCCTGACA ATGGTGAGAC TGAATTTGCC CCGAAGTTCC
251 CGGGCAAGGT CACCATGACC ACAGACACGT CCATCAGCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTGAGCA GGCTGAGATC TGACGACACG GCCGTGTATT ACTGTGCGAG
351 AGAAGACTAC GATGGTACCT ACACCTGGTT TCCTTATTGG GGCCAAGGGA
401 CTCTGGTCAC CGTCTCTAGT GCCTCCACCA AGGGCCCATC GGTCTTCCCC
451 CTGGCGCCCT GCTCCAGGAG CACCTCCGAG AGCACAGCGG CCCTGGGCTG
501 CCTGGTCAAG GACTACTTCC CCGAACCGGT GACGGTGTCG TGGAACTCAG
551 GCGCTCTGAC CAGCGGCGTG CACACCTTCC CAGCTGTCCT ACAGTCCTCA
601 GGACTCTACT CCCTCAGCAG CGTGGTGACC GTGCCCTCCA GCAACTTCGG
651 CACCCAGACC TACACCTGCA ACGTAGATCA CAAGCCCAGC AACACCAAGG
701 TGGACAAGAC AGTTGAGCGC AAATGTTGTG TCGAGTGCCC ACCGTGCCCA
751 GCACCACCTG TGGCAGGACC GTCAGTCTTC CTCTTCCCCC CAAAACCCAA
801 GGACACCCTC ATGATCTCCC GGACCCCTGA GGTCACGTGC GTGGTGGTGG
851 ACGTGAGCCA CGAAGACCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAACTGGTA CGTGGACGGC
901 GTGGAGGTGC ATAATGCCAA GACAAAGCCA CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG
951 CACGTTCCGT GTGGTCAGCG TCCTCACCGT TGTGCACCAG GACTGGCTGA
1001 ACGGCAAGGA GTACAAGTGC AAGGTCTCCA ACAAAGGCCT CCCAGCCCCC
1051 ATCGAGAAAA CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGG CAGCCCCGAG AACCACAGGT
1101 GTACACCCTG CCCCCATCCC GGGAGGAGAT GACCAAGAAC CAGGTCAGCC
1151 TGACCTGCCT GGTCAAAGGC TTCTACCCCA GCGACATCGC CGTGGAGTGG
1201 GAGAGCAATG GGCAGCCGGA GAACAACTAC AAGACCACAC CTCCCATGCT
1251 GGACTCCGAC GGCTCCTTCT TCCTCTACAG CAAGCTCACC GTGGACAAGA
1301 GCAGGTGGCA GCAGGGGAAC GTCTTCTCAT GCTCCGTGAT GCATGAGGCT
1351 CTGCACAACC ACTACACGCA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCTGTCTC CGGGTAAA (SEQ ID NO:236)

The CDR sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-16 are:

CDR-H1: DYYIH (SEQ ID NO:293)

CDR-H2: RVDPDNGETEFAPKFPG (SEQ ID NO:294)

CDR-H3: EDYDGTYTWFPY (SEQ ID NO:295)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-16 are:

CDR-L1: *RASSSISYIH (SEQ ID NO:281)*

CDR-L2: ATSNLAS (SEQ ID NO:282)

CDR-L3: QQWSSDPLT (SEQ ID NO:283)

Ab-16 Variable domains:

Ab-16 light chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 DIQLTQSPSF LSASVGDRVT ITCRASSSIS YIHWYQQKPG KAPKLLIYAT
51 SNLASGVPSR FSGSGSGTEF TLTISSLQPE DFATYYCQQW SSDPLTFGGG
101 TKVEIK (SEQ ID NO:388)

Ab-16 light chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GACATCCAGT TGACCCAGTC TCCATCCTTC CTGTCTGCAT CTGTAGGAGA
51 CAGAGTCACC ATCACTTGCA GGGCCAGCTC AAGTATAAGT TACATACACT
101 GGTATCAGCA AAAACCAGGG AAAGCCCCTA AGCTCCTGAT CTATGCCACA
151 TCCAACCTGG CTTCTGGGGT CCCATCAAGG TTCAGCGGCA GTGGATCTGG
201 GACAGAATTC ACTCTCACAA TCAGCAGCCT GCAGCCTGAA GATTTTGCAA
251 CTTATTACTG TCAGCAGTGG AGTAGTGACC CACTCACGTT CGGCGGAGGG
301 ACCAAGGTGG AGATCAAA (SEQ ID NO:389)

Ab-16 heavy chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGFDIKDYYIHWVRQA PGQGLEWIGR
51 VDPDNGETEF APKFPGKVTM TTDTSISTAY MELSRLRSDD TAVYYCARED
101 YDGTYTWFPY WGQGTLVTVS S (SEQ ID NO:390)

Ab-16 heavy chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGTC TGGGGCTGAG GTGAAGAAGC CTGGGGCCTC
51 AGTGAAGGTC TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGATT CGACATTAAG GACTACTATA
101 TACACTGGGT GCGACAGGCC CCTGGACAAG GGCTTGAGTG GATCGGAAGG
151 GTTGATCCTG ACAATGGTGA GACTGAATTT GCCCCGAAGT TCCCGGGCAA
201 GGTCACCATG ACCACAGACA CGTCCATCAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTGA
251 GCAGGCTGAG ATCTGACGAC ACGGCCGTGT ATTACTGTGC GAGAGAAGAC
301 TACGATGGTA CCTACACCTG GTTTCCTTAT TGGGGCCAAG GGACTCTGGT
351 CACCGTCTCT AGT (SEQ ID NO:391)

Additional antibodies are referred to herein as Antibodies 17-22 (also referred to herein as Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, and Ab-22). The Kappa Constant region for all VK regions of Ab-17, Ab-19, and Ab-21 is as follows:

TDAAPTVSIFPPSSEQLTSGGASVVCFLNNFYPKDINVKWKIDGSERQNGVLNSWTDQD
SKDSTYSMSSTLTLTKDEYERHNSYTCEATHKTSTSPIVKSFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:323)

The Heavy Constant Region for all VH regions of antibodies 17, 19 and 21 is as follows:

AKTTPPSVYPLAPGSAAQTNSMVTLGCLVKGYFPEPVTVTWNSGSLSSGVHTFPAVLQS
DLYTLSSSVTVPSSTWPSETVTCNVAHPASSTKVDKKIVPRDCGCKPCICTVPEVSSVFIF
PPKPKDVLTITLTPKVTCVVVDISKDDPEVQFSWFVDDVEVHTAQTQPREEQFNSTFRS
VSELPIMHQDWLNGKEFKCRVNSAAFPAPIEKTISKTKGRPKAPQVYTIPPPKEQMAKD
KVSLTCMITDFFPEDITVEWQWNGQPAENYKNTQPIMDTDGSYFVYSKLNVQKSNWEA
GNTFTCSVLHEGLHNHHTEKSLSHSPGK (SEQ ID NO:324)

In the following antibody amino acid sequences, the boxed-shaded amino acids represent complement-determining regions (CDRs) and the underlined amino acids represent signal peptide.

Ab-17

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-17 LC including signal peptide:

MDFQVQIFSFMLISVTVILSSGEIVLTQSPALMAASPGEKVTITCSVSSSISSSNLHWSQQK
SGTSPKLWIYGTSNLASGVPVRFSGSGSGTSYSLTISSMEAEDAATYYCQQWTTTYTFG
SGTKLELKR (SEQ ID NO:299)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-17 LC including signal peptide:

ATGGATTTTCAGGTGCAGATTTTCAGCTTCATGCTAATCAGTGTCACAGTCATATTG
TCCAGTGGAGAAATTGTGCTCACCCAGTCTCCAGCACTCATGGCTGCATCTCCAGGG
GAGAAGGTCACCATCACCTGCAGTGTCAGCTCGAGTATAAGTTCCAGCAACTTACA
CTGGTCCCAGCAGAAGTCAGGAACCTCCCCCAAACTCTGGATTTATGGCACATCCA
ACCTTGCTTCTGGAGTCCCTGTTCGCTTCAGTGGCAGTGGATCTGGGACCTCTTATTC
TCTCACAATCAGCAGCATGGAGGCTGAAGATGCTGCCACTTATTACTGTCAACAGT
GGACTACTACGTATACGTTCGGATCGGGGACCAAGCTGGAGCTGAAACGT (SEQ ID NO:300)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-17 HC including signal peptide:

MGWNWIIFFLMAVVTGVNSEVQLRQSGADLVKPGASVKLSCTASGFNIKDYYIHWVK
QRPEQGLEWIGRIDPDNGESTYVPKFQGKATITADTSSNTAYLQLRSLTSEDTAIYYCGR
EGLDYGDYYAVDYWGQGTSVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:301)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-17 HC including signal peptide:

ATGGGATGGAACTGGATCATCTTCTTCCTGATGGCAGTGGTTACAGGGGTCAATTCA
GAGGTGCAGTTGCGGCAGTCTGGGGCAGACCTTGTGAAGCCAGGGGCCTCAGTCAA
GTTGTCCTGCACAGCTTCTGGCTTCAACATTAAAGACTACTATATACACTGGGTGAA
GCAGAGGCCTGAACAGGGCCTGGAGTGGATTGGAAGGATTGATCCTGATAATGGTG
AAAGTACATATGTCCCGAAGTTCCAGGGCAAGGCCACTATAACAGCAGACACATCA
TCCAACACAGCCTACCTACAACTCAGAAGCCTGACATCTGAGGACACTGCCATCTA

TTATTGTGGGAGAGAGGGGCTCGACTATGGTGACTACTATGCTGTGGACTACTGGG
GTCAAGGAACCTCGGTCACAGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:302)

Ab-17 was humanized to generate Ab-18.

Ab-18

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-18 LC including signal peptide:

MDMRVPAQLLGLLLLWLPGARCDIQLTQSPSFLSASVGDRVTITCSVSSSISSSNLHWYQ
QKPGKAPKLLIYGTSNLASGVPSRFSGSGSGTEFTLTISSLQPEDFATYYCQQWTTTYTF
GQGTKLEIKR (SEQ ID NO:303)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-18 LC including signal peptide:

ATGGATATGCGCGTGCCGGCGCAGCTGCTGGGCCTGCTGCTGCTGTGGCTGCCGGG
CGCGCGCTGCGATATTCAGCTGACCCAGAGCCCGAGCTTTCTGAGCGCGAGCGTGG
GCGATCGCGTGACCATTACCTGCAGCGTGAGCAGCAGCATTAGCAGCAGCAACCTG
CATTGGTATCAGCAGAAACCGGGCAAAGCGCCGAAACTGCTGATTTATGGCACCAG
CAACCTGGCGAGCGGCGTGCCGAGCCGCTTTAGCGGCAGCGGCAGCGGCACCGAAT
TTACCCTGACCATTAGCAGCCTGCAGCCGGAAGATTTTGCGACCTATTATTGCCAGC
AGTGGACCACCACCTATACCTTTGGCCAGGGCACCAAACTGGAAATTAAACGT (SEQ
ID NO:304)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-18 HC including signal peptide:

MDWTWSILFLVAAPTGAHSEVQLVQSGAEVKKPGASVKVSCKASGFNIKDYYIHWVR
QAPGQGLEWMGRIDPDNGESTYVPKFQGRVTMTTDTSTSTAYMELRSLRSDDTAVYY
CAREGLDYGDYYAVDYWGQGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:305)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-18 HC including signal peptide:

ATGGATTGGACCTGGAGCATTCTGTTTCTGGTGGCGGCGCCGACCGGCGCGCATAG
CGAAGTGCAGCTGGTGCAGAGCGGCGCGGAAGTGAAAAAACCGGGCGCGAGCGTG
AAAGTGAGCTGCAAAGCGAGCGGCTTTAACATTAAAGATTATTATATTCATTGGGT
GCGCCAGGCGCCGGGCCAGGGCCTGGAATGGATGGGCCGCATTGATCCGGATAACG
GCGAAAGCACCTATGTGCCGAAATTTCAGGGCCGCGTGACCATGACCACCGATACC
AGCACCAGCACCGCGTATATGGAACTGCGCAGCCTGCGCAGCGATGATACCGCGGT
GTATTATTGCGCGCGCGAAGGCCTGGATTATGGCGATTATTATGCGGTGGATTATTG
GGGCCAGGGCACCCTGGTGACCGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:306)

Ab-18 light chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

DIQLTQSPSFLSASVGDRVTITCSVSSSISSSNLHWYQQKPGKAPKLLIYGTSNLASGVPS
RFSGSGSGTEFTLTISSLQPEDFATYYCQQWTTTYTFGQGTKLEIKR (SEQ ID NO:368)

Ab-18 light chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

GATATTCAGCTGACCCAGAGCCCGAGCTTTCTGAGCGCGAGCGTGGGCGATCGCGT
GACCATTACCTGCAGCGTGAGCAGCAGCATTAGCAGCAGCAACCTGCATTGGTATC
AGCAGAAACCGGGCAAAGCGCCGAAACTGCTGATTTATGGCACCAGCAACCTGGCG
AGCGGCGTGCCGAGCCGCTTTAGCGGCAGCGGCAGCGGCACCGAATTTACCCTGAC
CATTAGCAGCCTGCAGCCGGAAGATTTTGCGACCTATTATTGCCAGCAGTGGACCA
CCACCTATACCTTTGGCCAGGGCACCAAACTGGAAATTAAACGT (SEQ ID NO:369)

Ab-18 heavy chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

EVQLVQSGAEVKKPGASVKVSCKASGFNIKDYYIHWVRQAPGQGLEWMGRIDPDNGE
STYVPKFQGRVTMTTDTSTSTAYMELRSLRSDDTAVYYCAREGLDYGDYYAVDYWG
QGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:370)

Ab-18 heavy chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

GAAGTGCAGCTGGTGCAGAGCGGCGCGGAAGTGAAAAAACCGGGCGCGAGCGTGA
AAGTGAGCTGCAAAGCGAGCGGCTTTAACATTAAAGATTATTATATTCATTGGGTG
CGCCAGGCGCCGGGCCAGGGCCTGGAATGGATGGGCCGCATTGATCCGGATAACGG
CGAAAGCACCTATGTGCCGAAATTTCAGGGCCGCGTGACCATGACCACCGATACCA
GCACCAGCACCGCGTATATGGAACTGCGCAGCCTGCGCAGCGATGATACCGCGGTG
TATTATTGCGCGCGCGAAGGCCTGGATTATGGCGATTATTATGCGGTGGATTATTGG
GGCCAGGGCACCCTGGTGACCGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:371)

Ab-19

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-19 LC including signal peptide:

MMSSAQFLGLLLLCFQGTRCDIQMTQTTSSLSASLGDRVNISCRASQDISSYLNWYQQK
PDGTVKLLIYSTSRLNSGVPSRFSGSGSGTDYSLTISNLAQEDIATYFCQQDIKHPTFGGG
TKLELKR (SEQ ID NO:307)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-19 LC including signal peptide:

ATGATGTCCTCTGCTCAGTTCCTTGGTCTCCTGTTGCTCTGTTTTCAAGGTACCAGAT
GTGATATCCAGATGACACAGACTACATCCTCCCTGTCTGCCTCTCTGGGAGACAGAG
TCAACATCAGCTGCAGGGCAAGTCAGGACATTAGCAGTTATTTAAACTGGTATCAG
CAGAAACCAGATGGAACTGTTAAACTCCTGATCTACTCCACATCAAGATTAAACTC
AGGAGTCCCATCAAGGTTCAGTGGCAGTGGGTCTGGGACAGATTATTCTCTCACTAT
TAGCAACCTGGCACAAGAAGATATTGCCACTTACTTTTGCCAACAGGATATTAAGC
ATCCGACGTTCGGTGGAGGCACCAAGTTGGAGCTGAAACGT (SEQ ID NO:308)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-19 HC including signal peptide:

MEWIWIFLFLLSGTAGVHSEVQLQQSGPELVKPGASVKMSCKASGFTFTDYIMHWVKQ
KPGQGLEWIGYINPYNDDTEYNEKFKGKATLTSDKSSSTAYMDLSSLTSEGSAVYYCA
RSIYYYDAPFAYWGQGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:309)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-19 HC including signal peptide:

ATGGAATGGATCTGGATATTTCTCTTCCTCCTGTCAGGAACTGCAGGTGTCCACTCT
GAGGTCCAGCTGCAGCAGTCTGGACCTGAGCTGGTAAAGCCTGGGGCTTCAGTGAA
GATGTCCTGCAAGGCTTCTGGGTTCACATTCACTGACTACATTATGCACTGGGTGAA
GCAGAAGCCTGGGCAGGGCCTTGAGTGGATTGGATATATTAATCCTTACAATGATG
ATACTGAATACAATGAGAAGTTCAAAGGCAAGGCCACACTGACTTCAGACAAATCC
TCCAGCACAGCCTACATGGATCTCAGCAGTCTGACCTCTGAGGGCTCTGCGGTCTAT
TACTGTGCAAGATCGATTTATTACTACGATGCCCCGTTTGCTTACTGGGGCCAAGGG
ACTCTGGTCACAGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:310)

Ab-19 was humanized to generate Antibody 20 (also referred to herein as Ab-20) and Antibody 23 (also referred to herein as Ab-23).

Ab-20

IgG4 version

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-20 LC including signal peptide:

MMSSAQFLGLLLLCFQGTRCDIQMTQSPSSLSASVGDRVTITCRASQDISSYLNWYQQK
PGKAPKLLIYSTSRLNSGVPSRFSGSGSGTDFTLTISSLQPEDFATYYCQQDIKHPTFGQG
TKVEIKR (SEQ ID NO:311)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-20 LC including signal peptide:

ATGATGTCCTCTGCTCAGTTCCTTGGTCTCCTGTTGCTCTGTTTTCAAGGTACCAGAT
GTGATATCCAGATGACCCAGTCTCCATCCTCCCTGTCTGCATCTGTAGGTGACCGTG
TCACCATCACTTGCCGCGCAAGTCAGGATATTAGCAGCTATTTAAATTGGTATCAGC
AGAAACCAGGGAAAGCCCCTAAGCTCCTGATCTATTCTACTTCCCGTTTGAATAGTG
GGGTCCCATCACGCTTCAGTGGCAGTGGCTCTGGGACAGATTTCACTCTCACCATCA
GCAGTCTGCAACCTGAAGATTTTGCAACTTACTACTGTCAACAGGATATTAAACACC
CTACGTTCGGTCAAGGCACCAAGGTGGAGATCAAACGT (SEQ ID NO:312)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-20 HC including signal peptide:

MEWIWIFLFLLSGTAGVHSEVQLVQSGAEVKKPGSSVKVSCKASGFTFTDYIMHWVRQ
APGQGLEWMGYINPYNDDTEYNEKFKGRVTITADKSTSTAYMELSSLRSEDTAVYYCA
RSIYYYDAPFAYWGQGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:313)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-20 HC including signal peptide:

ATGGAATGGATCTGGATATTTCTCTTCCTCCTGTCAGGAACTGCAGGTGTCCACTCT

GAGGTGCAGCTGGTGCAGTCTGGGGCTGAGGTGAAGAAGCCTGGGTCCTCGGTGAA
GGTCTCCTGCAAGGCTTCTGGTTTTACCTTCACCGACTATATTATGCACTGGGTGCG
TCAGGCCCCTGGTCAAGGGCTTGAGTGGATGGGCTATATCAACCCTTATAATGATG
ACACCGAATACAACGAGAAGTTCAAGGGCCGTGTCACGATTACCGCGGACAAATCC
ACGAGCACAGCCTACATGGAGCTGAGCAGCCTGCGCTCTGAGGACACGGCCGTGTA
TTACTGTGCGCGTTCGATTTATTACTACGATGCCCCGTTTGCTTACTGGGGCCAAGG
GACTCTGGTCACAGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:349)

Ab-23

IgG2 version

Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-23 LC:

1 DIQMTQSPSS LSASVGDRVT ITCRASQDIS SYLNWYQQKP GKAPKLLIYS
51 TSRLNSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD FTLTISSLQP EDFATYYCQQ DIKHPTFGQG
101 TKVEIK***RTVA APSVFIFPPS DEQLKSGTAS VVCLLNNFYP REAKVQWKVD***
151 NALQSGNSQE SVTEQDSKDS TYSLSSTLTL SKADYEKHKV YACEVTHQGL
201 SSPVTKSFNR GEC (SEQ ID NO:341)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-23 LC:

1 GACATCCAGA TGACCCAGTC TCCATCCTCC CTGTCTGCAT CTGTAGGTGA
51 CCGTGTCACC ATCACTTGCC GCGCAAGTCA GGATATTAGC AGCTATTTAA
101 ATTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GGGAAAGCCC CTAAGCTCCT GATCTATTCT
151 ACTTCCCGTT TGAATAGTGG GGTCCCATCA CGCTTCAGTG GCAGTGGCTC
201 TGGGACAGAT TTCACTCTCA CCATCAGCAG TCTGCAACCT GAAGATTTTG
251 CAACTTACTA CTGTCAACAG GATATTAAAC ACCCTACGTT CGGTCAAGGC
301 ACCAAGGTGG AGATCAAACG TACGGTGGCT GCACCATCTG TCTTCATCTT
351 CCCGCCATCT GATGAGCAGT TGAAATCTGG AACTGCCTCT GTTGTGTGCC
401 TGCTGAATAA CTTCTATCCC AGAGAGGCCA AAGTACAGTG GAAGGTGGAT
451 AACGCCCTCC AATCGGGTAA CTCCCAGGAG AGTGTCACAG AGCAGGACAG
501 CAAGGACAGC ACCTACAGCC TCAGCAGCAC CCTGACGCTG AGCAAAGCAG
551 ACTACGAGAA ACACAAAGTC TACGCCTGCG AAGTCACCCA TCAGGGCCTG
601 AGCTCGCCCG TCACAAAGAG CTTCAACAGG GGAGAGTGT (SEQ ID NO:342)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-23 LC including signal peptide:

1 MDMRVPAQLL GLLLLWLRGA RCDIQMTQSP SSLSASVGDR VTITCRASQD
51 ISSYLNWYQQ KPGKAPKLLI YSTSRLNSGV PSRFSGSGSG TDFTLTISSL
101 QPEDFATYYC QQDIKHPTFG QGTKVEIKRT VAAPSVFIFP PSDEQLKSGT
151 ASVVCLLNNF YPREAKVQWK VDNALQSGNS QESVTEQDSK DSTYSLSSTL
201 TLSKADYEKH KVYACEVTHQ GLSSPVTKSF NRGEC (SEQ ID NO:343)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-23 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACATGA GGGTGCCCGC TCAGCTCCTG GGGCTCCTGC TGCTGTGGCT
51 GAGAGGTGCC AGATGTGACA TCCAGATGAC CCAGTCTCCA TCCTCCCTGT

101 CTGCATCTGT AGGTGACCGT GTCACCATCA CTTGCCGCGC AAGTCAGGAT
151 ATTAGCAGCT ATTTAAATTG GTATCAGCAG AAACCAGGGA AAGCCCCTAA
201 GCTCCTGATC TATTCTACTT CCCGTTTGAA TAGTGGGGTC CCATCACGCT
251 TCAGTGGCAG TGGCTCTGGG ACAGATTTCA CTCTCACCAT CAGCAGTCTG
301 CAACCTGAAG ATTTTGCAAC TTACTACTGT CAACAGGATA TTAAACACCC
351 TACGTTCGGT CAAGGCACCA AGGTGGAGAT CAAACGTACG GTGGCTGCAC
401 CATCTGTCTT CATCTTCCCG CCATCTGATG AGCAGTTGAA ATCTGGAACT
451 GCCTCTGTTG TGTGCCTGCT GAATAACTTC TATCCCAGAG AGGCCAAAGT
501 ACAGTGGAAG GTGGATAACG CCCTCCAATC GGGTAACTCC CAGGAGAGTG
551 TCACAGAGCA GGACAGCAAG GACAGCACCT ACAGCCTCAG CAGCACCCTG
601 ACGCTGAGCA AAGCAGACTA CGAGAAACAC AAAGTCTACG CCTGCGAAGT
651 CACCCATCAG GGCCTGAGCT CGCCCGTCAC AAAGAGCTTC AACAGGGGAG
701 AGTGT (SEQ ID NO:344)

Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-23 HC:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGSSVKV SCKASGFTFT DYIMHWVRQA PGQGLEWMGY
51 INPYNDDTEY NEKFKGRVTI TADKSTSTAY MELSSLRSED TAVYYCARSI
101 YYYDAPFAYW GQGTLVTVSS ***ASTKGPSVFP LAPCSRSTSE STAALGCLVK***
151 DYFPEPVTVS WNSGALTSGV HTFPAVLQSS GLYSLSSVVT VPSSNFGTQT
201 YTCNVDHKPS NTKVDKTVER KCCVECPPCP APPVAGPSVF LFPPKPKDTL
251 MISRTPEVTC VVVDVSHEDP EVQFNWYVDG VEVHNAKTKP REEQFNSTFR
301 VVSVLTVVHQ DWLNGKEYKC KVSNKGLPAP IEKTISKTKG QPREPQVYTL
351 PPSREEMTKN QVSLTCLVKG FYPSDIAVEW ESNGQPENNY KTTPPMLDSD
401 GSFFLYSKLT VDKSRWQQGN VFSCSVMHEA LHNHYTQKSL SLSPGK (SEQ ID NO:345)

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-23 HC without carboxy-terminal lysine:

1 EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGSSVKV SCKASGFTFT DYIMHWVRQA PGQGLEWMGY
51 INPYNDDTEY NEKFKGRVTI TADKSTSTAY MELSSLRSED TAVYYCARSI
101 YYYDAPFAYW GQGTLVTVSS ***ASTKGPSVFP LAPCSRSTSE STAALGCLVK***
151 DYFPEPVTVS WNSGALTSGV HTFPAVLQSS GLYSLSSVVT VPSSNFGTQT
201 YTCNVDHKPS NTKVDKTVER KCCVECPPCP APPVAGPSVF LFPPKPKDTL
251 MISRTPEVTC VVVDVSHEDP EVQFNWYVDG VEVHNAKTKP REEQFNSTFR
301 VVSVLTVVHQ DWLNGKEYKC KVSNKGLPAP IEKTISKTKG QPREPQVYTL
351 PPSREEMTKN QVSLTCLVKG FYPSDIAVEW ESNGQPENNY KTTPPMLDSD
401 GSFFLYSKLT VDKSRWQQGN VFSCSVMHEA LHNHYTQKSL SLSPG (SEQ ID NO:396)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-23 HC:

1 GAGGTGCAGC TGGTGCAGTC TGGGGCTGAG GTGAAGAAGC CTGGGTCCTC
51 GGTGAAGGTC TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGTTT TACCTTCACC GACTATATTA
101 TGCACTGGGT GCGTCAGGCC CCTGGTCAAG GGCTTGAGTG GATGGGCTAT
151 ATCAACCCTT ATAATGATGA CACCGAATAC AACGAGAAGT TCAAGGGCCG

201 TGTCACGATT ACCGCGGACA AATCCACGAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTGA
251 GCAGCCTGCG CTCTGAGGAC ACGGCCGTGT ATTACTGTGC GCGTTCGATT
301 TATTACTACG ATGCCCCGTT TGCTTACTGG GGCCAAGGGA CTCTGGTCAC
351 CGTCTCTAGT GCCTCCACCA AGGGCCCATC GGTCTTCCCC CTGGCGCCCT
401 GCTCCAGGAG CACCTCCGAG AGCACAGCGG CCCTGGGCTG CCTGGTCAAG
451 GACTACTTCC CCGAACCGGT GACGGTGTCG TGGAACTCAG GCGCTCTGAC
501 CAGCGGCGTG CACACCTTCC CAGCTGTCCT ACAGTCCTCA GGACTCTACT
551 CCCTCAGCAG CGTGGTGACC GTGCCCTCCA GCAACTTCGG CACCCAGACC
601 TACACCTGCA ACGTAGATCA CAAGCCCAGC AACACCAAGG TGGACAAGAC
651 AGTTGAGCGC AAATGTTGTG TCGAGTGCCC ACCGTGCCCA GCACCACCTG
701 TGGCAGGACC GTCAGTCTTC CTCTTCCCCC CAAAACCCAA GGACACCCTC
751 ATGATCTCCC GGACCCCTGA GGTCACGTGC GTGGTGGTGG ACGTGAGCCA
801 CGAAGACCCC GAGGTCCAGT TCAACTGGTA CGTGGACGGC GTGGAGGTGC
851 ATAATGCCAA GACAAAGCCA CGGGAGGAGC AGTTCAACAG CACGTTCCGT
901 GTGGTCAGCG TCCTCACCGT TGTGCACCAG GACTGGCTGA ACGGCAAGGA
951 GTACAAGTGC AAGGTCTCCA ACAAAGGCCT CCCAGCCCCC ATCGAGAAAA
1001 CCATCTCCAA AACCAAAGGG CAGCCCCGAG AACCACAGGT GTACACCCTG
1051 CCCCCATCCC GGGAGGAGAT GACCAAGAAC CAGGTCAGCC TGACCTGCCT
1101 GGTCAAAGGC TTCTACCCCA GCGACATCGC CGTGGAGTGG GAGAGCAATG
1151 GGCAGCCGGA GAACAACTAC AAGACCACAC CTCCCATGCT GGACTCCGAC
1201 GGCTCCTTCT TCCTCTACAG CAAGCTCACC GTGGACAAGA GCAGGTGGCA
1251 GCAGGGGAAC GTCTTCTCAT GCTCCGTGAT GCATGAGGCT CTGCACAACC
1301 ACTACACGCA GAAGAGCCTC TCCCTGTCTC CGGGTAAA (SEQ ID NO:346)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-23 HC including signal peptide:

1 MDWTWRILFL VAAATGAHSE VQLVQSGAEV KKPGSSVKVS CKASGFTFTD
51 YIMHWVRQAP GQGLEWMGYI NPYNDDTEYN EKFKGRVTIT ADKSTSTAYM
101 ELSSLRSEDT AVYYCARSIY YYDAPFAYWG QGTLVTVSSA STKGPSVFPL
151 APCSRSTSES TAALGCLVKD YFPEPVTVSW NSGALTSGVH TFPAVLQSSG
201 LYSLSSVVTV PSSNFGTQTY TCNVDHKPSN TKVDKTVERK CCVECPPCPA
251 PPVAGPSVFL FPPKPKDTLM ISRTPEVTCV VVDVSHEDPE VQFNWYVDGV
301 EVHNAKTKPR EEQFNSTFRV VSVLTVVHQD WLNGKEYKCK VSNKGLPAPI
351 EKTISKTKGQ PREPQVYTLP PSREEMTKNQ VSLTCLVKGF YPSDIAVEWE
401 SNGQPENNYK TTPPMLDSDG SFFLYSKLTV DKSRWQQGNV FSCSVMHEAL
451 HNHYTQKSLS LSPGK (SEQ ID NO:347)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-23 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGACTGGA CCTGGAGGAT CCTCTTCTTG GTGGCAGCAG CCACAGGAGC
51 CCACTCCGAG GTGCAGCTGG TGCAGTCTGG GGCTGAGGTG AAGAAGCCTG
101 GGTCCTCGGT GAAGGTCTCC TGCAAGGCTT CTGGTTTTAC CTTCACCGAC
151 TATATTATGC ACTGGGTGCG TCAGGCCCCT GGTCAAGGGC TTGAGTGGAT
201 GGGCTATATC AACCCTTATA ATGATGACAC CGAATACAAC GAGAAGTTCA
251 AGGGCCGTGT CACGATTACC GCGGACAAAT CCACGAGCAC AGCCTACATG
301 GAGCTGAGCA GCCTGCGCTC TGAGGACACG GCCGTGTATT ACTGTGCGCG
351 TTCGATTTAT TACTACGATG CCCCGTTTGC TTACTGGGGC CAAGGGACTC
401 TGGTCACCGT CTCTAGTGCC TCCACCAAGG GCCCATCGGT CTTCCCCCTG
451 GCGCCCTGCT CCAGGAGCAC CTCCGAGAGC ACAGCGGCCC TGGGCTGCCT
501 GGTCAAGGAC TACTTCCCCG AACCGGTGAC GGTGTCGTGG AACTCAGGCG
551 CTCTGACCAG CGGCGTGCAC ACCTTCCCAG CTGTCCTACA GTCCTCAGGA

601 CTCTACTCCC TCAGCAGCGT GGTGACCGTG CCCTCCAGCA ACTTCGGCAC
651 CCAGACCTAC ACCTGCAACG TAGATCACAA GCCCAGCAAC ACCAAGGTGG
701 ACAAGACAGT TGAGCGCAAA TGTTGTGTCG AGTGCCCACC GTGCCCAGCA
751 CCACCTGTGG CAGGACCGTC AGTCTTCCTC TTCCCCCCAA AACCCAAGGA
801 CACCCTCATG ATCTCCCGGA CCCCTGAGGT CACGTGCGTG GTGGTGGACG
851 TGAGCCACGA AGACCCCGAG GTCCAGTTCA ACTGGTACGT GGACGGCGTG
901 GAGGTGCATA ATGCCAAGAC AAAGCCACGG GAGGAGCAGT TCAACAGCAC
951 GTTCCGTGTG GTCAGCGTCC TCACCGTTGT GCACCAGGAC TGGCTGAACG
1001 GCAAGGAGTA CAAGTGCAAG GTCTCCAACA AAGGCCTCCC AGCCCCCATC
1051 GAGAAAACCA TCTCCAAAAC CAAAGGGCAG CCCCGAGAAC CACAGGTGTA
1101 CACCCTGCCC CCATCCCGGG AGGAGATGAC CAAGAACCAG GTCAGCCTGA
1151 CCTGCCTGGT CAAAGGCTTC TACCCCAGCG ACATCGCCGT GGAGTGGGAG
1201 AGCAATGGGC AGCCGGAGAA CAACTACAAG ACCACACCTC CCATGCTGGA
1251 CTCCGACGGC TCCTTCTTCC TCTACAGCAA GCTCACCGTG GACAAGAGCA
1301 GGTGGCAGCA GGGGAACGTC TTCTCATGCT CCGTGATGCA TGAGGCTCTG
1351 CACAACCACT ACACGCAGAA GAGCCTCTCC CTGTCTCCGG GTAAA (SEQ ID NO:348)

The CDR (complementarity determining region) sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-23 are as follows:

CDR-H1: DYIMH (SEQ ID NO:269)

CDR-H2: YINPYNDDTEYNEKFKG (SEQ ID NO:270)

CDR-H3: SIYYYDAPFAY (SEQ ID NO:271)

The light chain variable region CDR sequences of Ab-23 are:

CDR-L1: RASQDISSYLN (SEQ ID NO:239)

CDR-L2: STSRLNS (SEQ ID NO:240)

CDR-L3: QQDIKHPT (SEQ ID NO:241)

Ab-23 Variable domains:

Ab-23 light chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

DIQMTQSPSS LSASVGDRVT ITCRASQDIS SYLNWYQQKP GKAPKLLIYS TSRLNSGVPS RFSGSGSGTD FTLTISSLQP EDFATYYCQQ DIKHPTFGQG TKVEIK (SEQ ID NO:364)

Ab-23 light chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

GACATCCAGATGACCCAGTCTCCATCCTCCCTGTCTGCATCTGTAGGTGACCGTGTC ACC ATCACTTGCC GCGCAAGTCA GGATATTAGC AGCTATTTAAATTGGTATCA GCAGAAACCA GGGAAAGCCC CTAAGCTCCT GATCTATTCTACTTCCCGTT TGAATAGTGG GGTCCCATCA CGCTTCAGTG GCAGTGGCTCTGGGACAGAT TTCACTCTCA CCATCAGCAG TCTGCAACCT GAAGATTTTGCAACTTACTA CTGTCAACAG GATATTAAAC ACCCTACGTT CGGTCAAGGCACCAAGGTGG AGATCAAA (SEQ ID NO:365)

Ab-23 heavy chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGSSVKV SCKASGFTFT DYIMHWVRQA PGQGLEWMGYINPYNDDTEY NEKFKGRVTI TADKSTSTAY MELSSLRSED TAVYYCARSIYYYDAPFAYW GQGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:366)

Ab-23 heavy chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

GAGGTGCAGCTGGTGCAGTCTGGGGCTGAGGTGAAGAAGCCTGGGTCCTCGGTGAA GGTC TCCTGCAAGG CTTCTGGTTT TACCTTCACC GACTATATTATGCACTGGGT GCGTCAGGCC CCTGGTCAAG GGCTTGAGTG GATGGGCTATATCAACCCTT ATAATGATGA CACCGAATAC AACGAGAAGT TCAAGGGCCGTGTCACGATT ACCGCGGACA AATCCACGAG CACAGCCTAC ATGGAGCTGAGCAGCCTGCG CTCTGAGGAC ACGGCCGTGT ATTACTGTGC GCGTTCGATTTATTACTACG ATGCCCCGTT TGCTTACTGG GGCCAAGGGACTCTGGTCACCGTCTCTAGT (SEQ ID NO:367)

Ab-21

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-21 LC including signal peptide:

MKSQTQVFVYMLLWLSGVEGDIVMTQSHKFMSTSVGDRVTITCKASQDVFTAVAWYQ QKPGQSPKLLIYWASTRHTGVPDRFTGSGSGTDFTLTISNVQSEDLADYFCQQYSSYPLT FGAGTKLELKR (SEQ ID NO:315)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-21 LC including signal peptide:

ATGAAGTCACAGACCCAGGTCTTTGTATACATGTTGCTGTGGTTGTCTGGTGTTGAA GGAGACATTGTGATGACCCAGTCTCACAAATTCATGTCCACGTCAGTAGGAGACAG GGTCACCATCACCTGCAAGGCCAGTCAGGATGTCTTTACTGCTGTAGCCTGGTATCA ACAGAAACCAGGACAATCTCCTAAACTACTGATTTACTGGGCATCCACCCGGCACA CTGGAGTCCCTGATCGCTTCACAGGCAGTGGATCTGGGACAGATTTCACTCTCACCA TTAGCAATGTGCAGTCTGAAGACTTGGCAGATTATTTCTGTCAACAATATAGCAGCT ATCCTCTCACGTTCGGTGCTGGGACCAAGTTGGAGCTGAAACGT (SEQ ID NO:316)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-21 HC including signal peptide:

MGWNWIIFFLMAVVTGVNSEVQLQQSGAELVRPGALVKLSCKASGFNIKDYYMHWV KQRPEQGLEWIGRIDPENGDIIYDPKFQGKASITTDTSSNTAYLQLSSLTSEDTAVYYCA YDAGDPAWFTYWGQGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:317)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-21 HC including signal peptide:

ATGGGATGGAACTGGATCATCTTCTTCCTGATGGCAGTGGTTACAGGGGTCAATTCA GAGGTTCAGCTGCAGCAGTCTGGGGCTGAGCTTGTGAGGCCAGGGGCCTTAGTCAA GTTGTCCTGCAAAGCTTCTGGCTTCAATATTAAAGACTACTATATGCACTGGGTGAA GCAGAGGCCTGAACAGGGCCTGGAGTGGATTGGAAGGATTGATCCTGAGAATGGTG ATATTATATATGACCCGAAGTTCCAGGGCAAGGCCAGTATAACAACAGACACATCC TCCAACACAGCCTACCTGCAGCTCAGCAGCCTGACGTCTGAGGACACTGCCGTCTAT TACTGTGCTTACGATGCTGGTGACCCCGCCTGGTTTACTTACTGGGGCCAAGGGACT CTGGTCACCGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:318)

Ab-21 was humanized to yield Ab-22.

Ab-22

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-22 LC including signal peptide:

MDMRVPAQLLGLLLLWLRGARCDIQMTQSPSSLSASVGDRVTITCKASQDVFTAVAW
YQQKPGKAPKLLIYWASTRHTGVPSRFSGSGSGTDFTLTISSLQPEDFATYYCQQYSSYP
LTFGGGTKVEIKR (SEQ ID NO:319)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-22 LC including signal peptide:

ATGGATATGCGCGTGCCGGCGCAGCTGCTGGGCCTGCTGCTGCTGTGGCTGCGCGG
CGCGCGCTGCGATATCCAGATGACCCAGAGCCCGAGCAGCCTGAGCGCGAGCGTGG
GCGATCGCGTGACCATTACCTGCAAAGCGAGCCAGGATGTGTTTACCGCGGTGGCG
TGGTATCAGCAGAAACCGGGCAAAGCGCCGAAACTGCTGATTTATTGGGCGAGCAC
CCGCCATACCGGCGTGCCGAGTCGCTTTAGCGGCAGCGGCAGCGGCACCGATTTTA
CCCTGACCATTAGCAGCCTGCAGCCGGAAGATTTTGCGACCTATTATTGCCAGCAGT
ATAGCAGCTATCCGCTGACCTTTGGCGGCGGCACCAAAGTGGAAATTAAACGT (SEQ
ID NO:320)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-22 HC including signal peptide:

MDWTWSILFLVAAPTGAHSEVQLVQSGAEVKKPGASVKVSCKASGFNIKDYYMHWV
RQAPGQGLEWIGRIDPENGDIIYDPKFQGRVTMTTDTSTSTAYMELRSLRSDDTAVYYC
AYDAGDPAWFTYWGQGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:321)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-22 HC including signal peptide:

ATGGATTGGACCTGGAGCATTCTGTTTCTGGTGGCGGCGCCGACCGGCGCGCATAG
CGAAGTGCAGCTGGTGCAGAGCGGCGCGGAAGTGAAAAAACCGGGCGCGAGCGTG
AAAGTGAGCTGCAAAGCGAGCGGCTTTAACATTAAAGATTATTATATGCATTGGGT
GCGCCAGGCGCCGGGCCAGGGCCTGGAATGGATCGGCCGCATTGATCCGGAAAAC
GGCGATATTATTTATGATCCGAAATTTCAGGGCCGCGTGACCATGACCACCGATACC
AGCACCAGCACCGCGTATATGGAACTGCGCAGCCTGCGCAGCGATGATACCGCGGT
GTATTATTGCGCGTATGATGCGGGCGATCCGGCGTGGTTTACCTATTGGGGCCAGGG
CACCCTGGTGACCGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:322)

Ab-22 light chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

DIQMTQSPSS LSASVGDRVT ITCKASQDVF TAVAWYQQKP GKAPKLLIYW
ASTRHTGVPS RFSGSGSGTD FTLTISSLQP EDFATYYCQQ YSSYPLTFGG
GTKVEIKR (SEQ ID NO:336)

Ab-22 light chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

GATATCCAGATGACCCAGAGCCCGAGCAGCCTGAGCGCGAGCGTGGGCGATCGCGT
GACCATTACCTGCAAAGCGAGCCAGGATGTGTTTACCGCGGTGGCGTGGTATCAGC

AGAAACCGGGCAAAGCGCCGAAACTGCTGATTTATTGGGCGAGCACCCGCCATACC
GGCGTGCCGAGTCGCTTTAGCGGCAGCGGCAGCGGCACCGATTTTACCCTGACCAT
TAGCAGCCTGCAGCCGGAAGATTTTGCGACCTATTATTGCCAGCAGTATAGCAGCT
ATCCGCTGACCTTTGGCGGCGGCACCAAAGTGGAAATTAAACGT (SEQ ID NO:337)

Ab-22 heavy chain variable domain amino acid sequence (without signal sequence):

EVQLVQSGAE VKKPGASVKV SCKASGFNIK DYYMHWVRQA
PGQGLEWIGRIDPENGDIIY DPKFQGRVTM TTDTSTSTAY MELRSLRSDD
TAVYYCAYDAGDPAWFTYWG QGTLVTVSS (SEQ ID NO:338)

Ab-22 heavy chain variable domain DNA sequence (without signal sequence):

GAAGTGCAGCTGGTGCAGAGCGGCGCGGAAGTGAAAAAACCGGGCGCGAGCGTGA
AAGTGAGCTGCAAAGCGAGCGGCTTTAACATTAAAGATTATTATATGCATTGGGTG
CGCCAGGCGCCGGGCCAGGGCCTGGAATGGATCGGCCGCATTGATCCGGAAAACG
GCGATATTATTTATGATCCGAAATTTCAGGGCCGCGTGACCATGACCACCGATACCA
GCACCAGCACCGCGTATATGGAACTGCGCAGCCTGCGCAGCGATGATACCGCGGTG
TATTATTGCGCGTATGATGCGGGCGATCCGGCGTGGTTTACCTATTGGGGCCAGGGC
ACCCTGGTGACCGTCTCGAGC (SEQ ID NO:339).

For Ab-18, Ab-20, and Ab-22, the light chain human kappa constant region is as follows:

TVAAPSVFIFPPSDEQLKSGTASVVCLLNNFYPREAKVQWKVDNALQSGNSQESVTEQD
SKDSTYSLSSTLTLSKADYEKHKVYACEVTHQGLSSPVTKSFNRGEC* (SEQ ID NO:325)

and the heavy chain human gamma-4 constant region is as follows:

ASTKGPSVFPLAPCSRSTSESTAALGCLVKDYFPEPVTVSWNSGALTSGVHTFPAVLQSS
GLYSLSSVVTVPSSSLGTKTYTCNVDHKPSNTKVDKRVESKYGPPCPPCPAPEFLGGPSV
FLFPPKPKDTLMISRTPEVTCVVVDVSQEDPEVQFNWYVDGVEVHNAKTKPREEQFNS
TYRVVSVLTVLHQDWLNGKEYKCKVSNKGLPSSIEKTISKAKGQPREPQVYTLPPSQEE
MTKNQVSLTCLVKGFYPSDIAVEWESNGQPENNYKTTPPVLDSDGSFFLYSRLTVDKSR
WQEGNVFSCSVMHEALHNHYTQKSLSLSLGK* (SEQ ID NO:326)

The hinge region contains the Ser-241-Pro mutation to improve hinge stability (Angal S *et al*, (1993), Mol Immunol, 30(1), 105-108).

Ab-24

The sequences of Antibody 24 (also referred to herein as Ab-24) LC and HC are as follows:

Light Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-24 LC:

1 DIVLTQSPAS LAVSLGQRAT IACKASQSVD YDGTSYMNWY QQKPGQPPKL
51 LIYAASNLES EIPARFSGTG SGTDFTLNIH PVEEEDITTY YCQQSNEDPF

101 TFGGGTKLEI K*RADAAPTVS IFPPSSEQLT SGGASVVCFL NNFYPKDINV*
151 KWKIDGSERQ NGVLNSWTDQ DSKDSTYSMS STLTLTKDEY ERHNSYTCEA
201 THKTSTSPIV KSFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:350)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-24 LC:

1 GACATTGTGT TGACCCAGTC TCCAGCTTCT TTGGCTGTGT CTCTAGGGCA
51 GAGGGCCACC ATCGCCTGCA AGGCCAGCCA AAGTGTTGAT TATGATGGTA
101 CTAGTTATAT GAATTGGTAC CAACAGAAAC CAGGACAGCC ACCCAAACTC
151 CTCATCTATG CTGCATCCAA TCTAGAATCT GAGATCCCAG CCAGGTTTAG
201 TGGCACTGGG TCTGGGACAG ACTTCACCCT CAACATCCAT CCTGTGGAGG
251 AGGAGGATAT CACAACCTAT TACTGTCAGC AAAGTAATGA GGATCCGTTC
301 ACGTTCGGAG GGGGGACCAA GTTGGAAATA AAACGGGCTG ATGCTGCACC
351 AACTGTATCC ATCTTCCCAC CATCCAGTGA GCAGTTAACA TCTGGAGGTG
401 CCTCAGTCGT GTGCTTCTTG AACAACTTCT ACCCCAAAGA CATCAATGTC
451 AAGTGGAAGA TTGATGGCAG TGAACGACAA AATGGCGTCC TGAACAGTTG
501 GACTGATCAG GACAGCAAAG ACAGCACCTA CAGCATGAGC AGCACCCTCA
551 CGTTGACCAA GGACGAGTAT GAACGACATA ACAGCTATAC CTGTGAGGCC
601 ACTCACAAGA CATCAACTTC ACCCATTGTC AAGAGCTTCA ACAGGAATGA
651 GTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:354)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-24 LC including signal peptide:

1 METDTILLWV LLLWVPGSTG DIVLTQSPAS LAVSLGQRAT IACKASQSVD
51 YDGTSYMNWY QQKPGQPPKL LIYAASNLES EIPARFSGTG SGTDFTLNIH
101 PVEEEDITTY YCQQSNEDPF TFGGGTKLEI KRADAAPTVS IFPPSSEQLT
151 SGGASVVCFL NNFYPKDINV KWKIDGSERQ NGVLNSWTDQ DSKDSTYSMS
201 STLTLTKDEY ERHNSYTCEA THKTSTSPIV KSFNRNEC (SEQ ID NO:355)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-24 LC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGAGACAG ACACAATCCT GCTATGGGTG CTGCTGCTCT GGGTTCCAGG
51 CTCCACTGGT GACATTGTGT TGACCCAGTC TCCAGCTTCT TTGGCTGTGT
101 CTCTAGGGCA GAGGGCCACC ATCGCCTGCA AGGCCAGCCA AAGTGTTGAT
151 TATGATGGTA CTAGTTATAT GAATTGGTAC CAACAGAAAC CAGGACAGCC
201 ACCCAAACTC CTCATCTATG CTGCATCCAA TCTAGAATCT GAGATCCCAG
251 CCAGGTTTAG TGGCACTGGG TCTGGGACAG ACTTCACCCT CAACATCCAT
301 CCTGTGGAGG AGGAGGATAT CACAACCTAT TACTGTCAGC AAAGTAATGA
351 GGATCCGTTC ACGTTCGGAG GGGGGACCAA GTTGGAAATA AAACGGGCTG
401 ATGCTGCACC AACTGTATCC ATCTTCCCAC CATCCAGTGA GCAGTTAACA
451 TCTGGAGGTG CCTCAGTCGT GTGCTTCTTG AACAACTTCT ACCCCAAAGA
501 CATCAATGTC AAGTGGAAGA TTGATGGCAG TGAACGACAA AATGGCGTCC
551 TGAACAGTTG GACTGATCAG GACAGCAAAG ACAGCACCTA CAGCATGAGC
601 AGCACCCTCA CGTTGACCAA GGACGAGTAT GAACGACATA ACAGCTATAC
651 CTGTGAGGCC ACTCACAAGA CATCAACTTC ACCCATTGTC AAGAGCTTCA
701 ACAGGAATGA GTGTTAG (SEQ ID NO:356)

Ab-24 Heavy Chain:

Amino acid sequence of the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-24 HC:

1 QVQLQQPGTE LVRPGTSVKL SCKASGYIFT TYWMNWVKQR PGQGLEWIGM
51 IHPSASEIRL DQKFKDKATL TLDKSSSTAY MHLSGPTSVD SAVYYCARSG
101 EWGSMDYWGQ GTSVTVSS*AK TTPPSVYPLA PGSAAQTNSM VTLGCLVKGY*
151 FPEPVTVTWN SGSLSSGVHT FPAVLQSDLY TLSSSVTVPS STWPSETVTC
201 NVAHPASSTK VDKKIVPRDC GCKPCICTVP EVSSVFIFPP KPKDVLTITL
251 TPKVTCVVVD ISKDDPEVQF SWFVDDVEVH TAQTQPREEQ FNSTFRSVSE
301 LPIMHQDWLN GKEFKCRVNS AAFPAPIEKT ISKTKGRPKA PQVYTIPPPK
351 EQMAKDKVSL TCMITDFFPE DITVEWQWNG QPAENYKNTQ PIMDTDGSYF
401 IYSKLNVQKS NWEAGNTFTC SVLHEGLHNH HTEKSLSHSP GK (SEQ ID NO:357)

Nucleic acid sequence encoding the mature form (signal peptide removed) of the Ab-24 HC:

1 CAGGTCCAAC TACAGCAGCC TGGGACTGAG CTGGTGAGGC CTGGAACTTC
51 AGTGAAGTTG TCCTGTAAGG CTTCTGGCTA CATCTTCACC ACCTACTGGA
101 TGAACTGGGT GAAACAGAGG CCTGGACAAG GCCTTGAGTG GATTGGCATG
151 ATTCATCCTT CCGCAAGTGA AATTAGGTTG GATCAGAAAT TCAAGGACAA
201 GGCCACATTG ACTCTTGACA AATCCTCCAG CACAGCCTAT ATGCACCTCA
251 GCGGCCCGAC ATCTGTGGAT TCTGCGGTCT ATTACTGTGC AAGATCAGGG
301 GAATGGGGGT CTATGGACTA CTGGGGTCAA GGAACCTCAG TCACCGTCTC
351 CTCAGCCAAA ACGACACCCC CATCTGTCTA TCCACTGGCC CCTGGATCTG
401 CTGCCCAAAC TAACTCCATG GTGACCCTGG GATGCCTGGT CAAGGGCTAT
451 *TTCCCTGAGC CAGTGACAGT GACCTGGAAC TCTGGATCCC TGTCCAGCGG*
501 TGTGCACACC TTCCCAGCTG TCCTGCAGTC TGACCTCTAC ACTCTGAGCA
551 GCTCAGTGAC TGTCCCCTCC AGCACCTGGC CCAGCGAGAC CGTCACCTGC
601 AACGTTGCCC ACCCGGCCAG CAGCACCAAG GTGGACAAGA AAATTGTGCC
651 CAGGGATTGT GGTTGTAAGC CTTGCATATG TACAGTCCCA GAAGTATCAT
701 CTGTCTTCAT CTTCCCCCCA AAGCCCAAGG ATGTGCTCAC CATTACTCTG
751 ACTCCTAAGG TCACGTGTGT TGTGGTAGAC ATCAGCAAGG ATGATCCCGA
801 GGTCCAGTTC AGCTGGTTTG TAGATGATGT GGAGGTGCAC ACAGCTCAGA
851 CGCAACCCCG GGAGGAGCAG TTCAACAGCA CTTTCCGCTC AGTCAGTGAA
901 CTTCCCATCA TGCACCAGGA CTGGCTCAAT GGCAAGGAGT TCAAATGCAG
951 GGTCAACAGT GCAGCTTTCC CTGCCCCCAT CGAGAAAACC ATCTCCAAAA
1001 CCAAAGGCAG ACCGAAGGCT CCACAGGTGT ACACCATTCC ACCTCCCAAG
1051 GAGCAGATGG CCAAGGATAA AGTCAGTCTG ACCTGCATGA TAACAGACTT
1101 CTTCCCTGAA GACATTACTG TGGAGTGGCA GTGGAATGGG CAGCCAGCGG
1151 AGAACTACAA GAACACTCAG CCCATCATGG ACACAGATGG CTCTTACTTC
1201 ATCTACAGCA AGCTCAATGT GCAGAAGAGC AACTGGGAGG CAGGAAATAC
1251 TTTCACCTGC TCTGTGTTAC ATGAGGGCCT GCACAACCAC CATACTGAGA
1301 AGAGCCTCTC CCACTCTCCT GGTAAATGA (SEQ ID NO:361)

Amino acid sequence of the Ab-24 HC including signal peptide:

1 MGWSSIILFL VATATGVHSQ VQLQQPGTEL VRPGTSVKLS CKASGYIFTT
51 YWMNWVKQRP GQGLEWIGMI HPSASEIRLD QKFKDKATLT LDKSSSTAYM
101 HLSGPTSVDS AVYYCARSGE WGSMDYWGQG TSVTVSSAKT TPPSVYPLAP

151 GSAAQTNSMV TLGCLVKGYF PEPVTVTWNS GSLSSGVHTF PAVLQSDLYT
201 LSSSVTVPSS TWPSETVTCN VAHPASSTKV DKKIVPRDCG CKPCICTVPE
251 VSSVFIFPPK PKDVLTITLT PKVTCVVVDI SKDDPEVQFS WFVDDVEVHT
301 AQTQPREEQF NSTFRSVSEL PIMHQDWLNG KEFKCRVNSA AFPAPIEKTI
351 SKTKGRPKAP QVYTIPPPKE QMAKDKVSLT CMITDFFPED ITVEWQWNGQ
401 PAENYKNTQP IMDTDGSYFI YSKLNVQKSN WEAGNTFTCS VLHEGLHNHH
451 TEKSLSHSPG K (SEQ ID NO:362)

Nucleic acid sequence of the Ab-24 HC including signal peptide encoding sequence:

1 ATGGGATGGA GCTCTATCAT CCTCTTCTTG GTAGCAACAG CTACAGGTGT
51 CCACTCCCAG GTCCAACTAC AGCAGCCTGG GACTGAGCTG GTGAGGCCTG
101 GAACTTCAGT GAAGTTGTCC TGTAAGGCTT CTGGCTACAT CTTCACCACC
151 TACTGGATGA ACTGGGTGAA ACAGAGGCCT GGACAAGGCC TTGAGTGGAT
201 TGGCATGATT CATCCTTCCG CAAGTGAAAT TAGGTTGGAT CAGAAATTCA
251 AGGACAAGGC CACATTGACT CTTGACAAAT CCTCCAGCAC AGCCTATATG
301 CACCTCAGCG GCCCGACATC TGTGGATTCT GCGGTCTATT ACTGTGCAAG
351 ATCAGGGGAA TGGGGGTCTA TGGACTACTG GGGTCAAGGA ACCTCAGTCA
401 CCGTCTCCTC AGCCAAAACG ACACCCCCAT CTGTCTATCC ACTGGCCCCT
451 GGATCTGCTG CCCAAACTAA CTCCATGGTG ACCCTGGGAT GCCTGGTCAA
501 GGGCTATTTC CCTGAGCCAG TGACAGTGAC CTGGAACTCT GGATCCCTGT
551 CCAGCGGTGT GCACACCTTC CCAGCTGTCC TGCAGTCTGA CCTCTACACT
601 CTGAGCAGCT CAGTGACTGT CCCCTCCAGC ACCTGGCCCA GCGAGACCGT
651 CACCTGCAAC GTTGCCCACC CGGCCAGCAG CACCAAGGTG GACAAGAAAA
701 TTGTGCCCAG GGATTGTGGT TGTAAGCCTT GCATATGTAC AGTCCCAGAA
751 GTATCATCTG TCTTCATCTT CCCCCCAAAG CCCAAGGATG TGCTCACCAT
801 TACTCTGACT CCTAAGGTCA CGTGTGTTGT GGTAGACATC AGCAAGGATG
851 ATCCCGAGGT CCAGTTCAGC TGGTTTGTAG ATGATGTGGA GGTGCACACA
901 GCTCAGACGC AACCCCGGGA GGAGCAGTTC AACAGCACTT TCCGCTCAGT
951 CAGTGAACTT CCCATCATGC ACCAGGACTG GCTCAATGGC AAGGAGTTCA
1001 AATGCAGGGT CAACAGTGCA GCTTTCCCTG CCCCCATCGA GAAAACCATC
1051 TCCAAAACCA AAGGCAGACC GAAGGCTCCA CAGGTGTACA CCATTCCACC
1101 TCCCAAGGAG CAGATGGCCA AGGATAAAGT CAGTCTGACC TGCATGATAA
1151 CAGACTTCTT CCCTGAAGAC ATTACTGTGG AGTGGCAGTG GAATGGGCAG
1201 CCAGCGGAGA ACTACAAGAA CACTCAGCCC ATCATGGACA CAGATGGCTC
1251 TTACTTCATC TACAGCAAGC TCAATGTGCA GAAGAGCAAC TGGGAGGCAG
1301 GAAATACTTT CACCTGCTCT GTGTTACATG AGGGCCTGCA CAACCACCAT
1351 ACTGAGAAGA GCCTCTCCCA CTCTCCTGGT AAATGA (SEQ ID NO:363)

The CDR sequences in the variable region of the light chain of Ab-24 are as follows:

CDR-L1: KASQSVDYDGTSYMN (SEQ ID NO:351)

CDR-L2: AASNLES (SEQ ID NO:352)

CDR-L3: QQSNEDPFT (SEQ ID NO:353)

The CDR sequences in the variable region of the heavy chain of Ab-24 are as follows:

CDR-H1: TYWMN (SEQ ID NO:358)

CDR-H2: MIHPSASEIRLDQKFKD (SEQ ID NO:359)

CDR-H3: SGEWGSMDY (SEQ ID NO:360)

Table 1 below provides the SEQ ID NOs and amino acid sequences of the CDR's of Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24. L1, L2, and L3 refer to light chain CDR's 1, 2, and 3, and H1, H2, and H3 refer to heavy chain CDR's 1, 2, and 3 according to the Kabat numbering system (Kabat *et al.*, 1987 in *Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest*, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, NIH, USA).

Table 1		
SEQ ID NO	**DESCRIPTION**	**AMINO ACID SEQUENCE**
54	Ab-A and Ab-1 CDR-L1	QSSQSVYDNNWLA
55	Ab-A and Ab-1 CDR-L2	DASDLAS
56	Ab-A and Ab-1 CDR-L3	QGAYNDVIYA
51	Ab-A and Ab-1 CDR-H1	SYWMN
52	Ab-A and Ab-1 CDR-H2	TIDSGGRTDYASWAKG
53	Ab-A and Ab-1 CDR-H3	NWNL
60	Ab-B CDR-L1	SASSSVSFVD
61	Ab-B CDR-L2	RTSNLGF
62	Ab-B CDR-L3	QQRSTYPPT
57	Ab-B CDR-H1	TSGMGVG
58	Ab-B CDR-H2	HIWWDDVKRYNPVLKS
59	Ab-B CDR-H3	EDFDYDEEYYAMDY
48	Ab-C CDR-L1	KASQSVDYDGDSYMN
49	Ab-C CDR-L2	AASNLES
50	Ab-C CDR-L3	QQSNEDPWT
45	Ab-C CDR-H1	DCYMN
46	Ab-C CDR-H2	DINPFNGGTTYNQKFKG
47	Ab-C CDR-H3	SHYYFDGRVPWDAMDY
42	Ab-D CDR-L1	QASQGTSINLN
43	Ab-D CDR-L2	GSSNLED
44	Ab-D CDR-L3	LQHSYLPYT
39	Ab-D CDR-H1	DHYMS
40	Ab-D CDR-H2	DINPYSGETTYNQKFKG
41	Ab-D CDR-H3	DDYDASPFAY
275	Ab-2 CDR-L1	RASSSVYYYMH
276	Ab-2 CDR-L2	ATSNLAS
277	Ab-2 CDR-L3	QQWSSDPLT
287	Ab-2 CDR-H1	DYFIH
288	Ab-2 CDR-H2	RLDPEDGESDYAPKFQD
289	Ab-2 CDR-H3	EDYDGTYTFFPY
278	Ab-3 and Ab-15 CDR-L1	SVSSTISSNHLH
279	Ab-3 and Ab-15 CDR-L2	GTSNLAS
280	Ab-3 and Ab-15 CDR-L3	QQWSSYPLT
290	Ab-3 and Ab-15 CDR-H1	DFYLH
291	Ab-3 and Ab-15 CDR-H2	RIDPENGDTLYDPKFQD
292	Ab-3 and Ab-15 CDR-H3	EADYFHDGTSYWYFDV
78	Ab-4 and Ab-5 CDR-L1	RASQDISNYLN
79	Ab-4 and Ab-5 CDR-L2	YTSRLLS
80	Ab-4 and Ab-5 CDR-L3	QQGDTLPYT
245	Ab-4 and Ab-5 CDR-H1	DYNMH
246	Ab-4 and Ab-5 CDR-H2	EINPNSGGAGYNQKFKG
247	Ab-4 and Ab-5 CDR-H3	LGYDDIYDDWYFDV
81	Ab-6 CDR-L1	RASQDISNYLN
99	Ab-6 CDR-L2	YTSRLHS
100	Ab-6 CDR-L3	QQGDTLPYT
248	Ab-6 CDR-H1	DYNMH

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SEQ ID NO	DESCRIPTION	AMINO ACID SEQUENCE
249	Ab-6 CDR-H2	EINPNSGGSGYNQKFKG
250	Ab-6 CDR-H3	LVYDGSYEDWYFDV
101	Ab-7 CDR-L1	RASQVITNYLY
102	Ab-7 CDR-L2	YTSRLHS
103	Ab-7 CDR-L3	QQGDTLPYT
251	Ab-7 CDR-H1	DYNMH
252	Ab-7 CDR-H2	EINPNSGGAGYNQQFKG
253	Ab-7 CDR-H3	LGYVGNYEDWYFDV
104	Ab-8 CDR-L1	RASQDISNYLN
105	Ab-8 CDR-L2	YTSRLLS
106	Ab-8 CDR-L3	QQGDTLPYT
254	Ab-8 CDR-H1	DYNMH
255	Ab-8 CDR-H2	EINPNSGGAGYNQKFKG
256	Ab-8 CDR-H3	LGYDDIYDDWYFDV
107	Ab-9 CDR-L1	RASQDISNYLN
108	Ab-9 CDR-L2	YTSRLFS
109	Ab-9 CDR-L3	QQGDTLPYT
257	Ab-9 CDR-H1	DYNMH
258	Ab-9 CDR-H2	EINPNSGGAGYNQKFKG
259	Ab-9 CDR-H3	LGYDDIYDDWYFDV
110	Ab-10 CDR-L1	RASQDISNYLN
111	Ab-10 CDR-L2	YTSRLLS
112	Ab-10 CDR-L3	QQGDTLPYT
260	Ab-10 CDR-H1	DYNMH
261	Ab-10 CDR-H2	EINPNSGGAGYNQKFKG
262	Ab-10 CDR-H3	LGYDDIYDDWYFDV
281	Ab-11 and Ab-16 CDR-L1	RASSSISYIH
282	Ab-11 and Ab-16 CDR-L2	ATSNLAS
283	Ab-11 and Ab-16 CDR-L3	QQWSSDPLT
293	Ab-11 and Ab-16 CDR-H1	DYYIH
294	Ab-11 and Ab-16 CDR-H2	RVDPDNGETEFAPKFPG
295	Ab-11 and Ab-16 CDR-H3	EDYDGTYTWFPY
113	Ab-12 CDR-L1	RASQDISNYLN
114	Ab-12 CDR-L2	YTSTLQS
115	Ab-12 CDR-L3	QQGDTLPYT
263	Ab-12 CDR-H1	DYNMH
264	Ab-12 CDR-H2	EINPNSGGSGYNQKFKG
265	Ab-12 CDR-H3	LGYYGNYEDWYFDV
284	Ab-13 and Ab-14 CDR-L1	RASSSVTSSYLN
285	Ab-13 and Ab-14 CDR-L2	STSNLAS
286	Ab-13 and Ab-14 CDR-L3	QQYDFFPST
296	Ab-13 and Ab-14 CDR-H1	DYYMN
297	Ab-13 and Ab-14 CDR-H2	DINPYNDDTTYNHKFKG
298	Ab-13 and Ab-14 CDR-H3	ETAVITTNAMD
116	Ab-17 and Ab-18 CDR-L1	SVSSSISSSNLH
237	Ab-17 and Ab-18 CDR-L2	GTSNLAS
238	Ab-17 and Ab-18 CDR-L3	QQWTTTYT

Table 1		
SEQ ID NO	DESCRIPTION	AMINO ACID SEQUENCE
266	Ab-17 and Ab-18 CDR-H1	DYYIH
267	Ab-17 and Ab-18 CDR-H2	RIDPDNGESTYVPKFQG
268	Ab-17 and Ab-18 CDR-H3	EGLDYGDYYAVDY
239	Ab-19, Ab-20 and Ab-23 CDR-L1	RASQDISSYLN
240	Ab-19, Ab-20 and Ab-23 CDR-L2	STSRLNS
241	Ab-19, Ab-20 and Ab-23 CDR-L3	QQDIKHPT
269	Ab-19, Ab-20 and Ab-23 CDR-H1	DYIMH
270	Ab-19, Ab-20 and Ab-23 CDR-H2	YINPYNDDTEYNEKFKG
271	Ab-19, Ab-20 and Ab-23 CDR-H3	SIYYYDAPFAY
242	Ab-21 and Ab-22 CDR-L1	KASQDVFTAVA
243	Ab-21 and Ab-22 CDR-L2	WASTRHT
244	Ab-21 and Ab-22 CDR-L3	QQYSSYPLT
272	Ab-21 and Ab-22 CDR-H1	DYYMH
273	Ab-21 and Ab-22 CDR-H2	RIDPENGDIIYDPKFQG
274	Ab-21 and Ab-22 CDR-H3	DAGDPAWFTY
351	Ab-24 CDR-L1	KASQSVDYDGTSYMN
352	Ab-24 CDR-L2	AASNLES
353	Ab-24 CDR-L3	QQSNEDPFT
358	Ab-24 CDR-H1	TYWMN
359	Ab-24 CDR-H2	MIHPSASEIRLDQKFKD
360	Ab-24 CDR-H3	SGEWGSMDY

An oligopeptide or polypeptide is within the scope of the invention if it has an amino acid sequence that is at least 75%, 76%, 77%, 78%, 79%, 80%, 81%, 82%, 83%, 84%, 85%, 86%, 87%, 88%, 89%, 90%, 91%, 92%, 93%, 94%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98% or 99% identical to least one of the CDR's of Table 1 above; and/or to a CDR of a sclerostin binding agent that cross-blocks the binding of at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24 to sclerostin, and/or is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24; and/or to a CDR of a sclerostin binding agent wherein the binding agent can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay (*i.e.* a sclerostin neutralizing binding agent); and/or to a CDR of a sclerostin binding agent that binds to a Loop 2 epitope; and/or to a CDR of a sclerostin binding agent that binds to a T20.6 epitope; and/or to a CDR of a sclerostin binding agent that binds to a "T20.6 derivative (cystine-knot + 4 arms)" epitope.

Sclerostin binding agent polypeptides and antibodies are within the scope of the invention if they have amino acid sequences that are at least 85%, 86%, 87%, 88%, 89%, 90%,

91%, 92%, 93%, 94%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98% or 99% identical to a variable region of at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24, and cross-block the binding of at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24 to sclerostin, and/or are cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24; and/or can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay (*i.e.* a sclerostin neutralizing binding agent); and/or bind to a Loop 2 epitope; and/or bind to a T20.6 epitope; and/or bind to a "T20.6 derivative (cystine-knot + 4 arms)" epitope.

Polynucleotides encoding sclerostin binding agents are within the scope of the invention if they have polynucleotide sequences that are at least 85%, 86%, 87%, 88%, 89%, 90%, 91%, 92%, 93%, 94%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98% or 99% identical to a polynucleotide encoding a variable region of at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24, and wherein the encoded sclerostin binding agents cross-block the binding of at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24 to sclerostin, and/or are cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-1, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-4, Ab-5, Ab-6, Ab-7, Ab-8, Ab-9, Ab-10, Ab-11, Ab-12, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-19, Ab-20, Ab-21, Ab-22, Ab-23, and Ab-24; and/or can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay(*i.e.* a sclerostin neutralizing binding agent); and/or bind to a Loop 2 epitope; and/or bind to a T20.6 epitope; and/or bind to a "T20.6 derivative (cystine-knot + 4 arms)" epitope.

Antibodies according to the invention may have a binding affinity for human sclerostin of less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-7}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-8}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-9}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-10}M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-11}M, or less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-12} M.

The affinity of a binding agent such as an antibody or binding partner, as well as the extent to which a binding agent (such as an antibody) inhibits binding, can be determined by

one of ordinary skill in the art using conventional techniques, for example those described by Scatchard *et al.* (*Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci.* 51:660-672 (1949)) or by surface plasmon resonance (SPR; BIAcore, Biosensor, Piscataway, NJ). For surface plasmon resonance, target molecules are immobilized on a solid phase and exposed to ligands in a mobile phase running along a flow cell. If ligand binding to the immobilized target occurs, the local refractive index changes, leading to a change in SPR angle, which can be monitored in real time by detecting changes in the intensity of the reflected light. The rates of change of the SPR signal can be analyzed to yield apparent rate constants for the association and dissociation phases of the binding reaction. The ratio of these values gives the apparent equilibrium constant (affinity) (*see, e.g.,* Wolff *et al., Cancer Res.* 53:2560-65 (1993)).

An antibody according to the present invention may belong to any immunoglobin class, for example IgG, IgE, IgM, IgD, or IgA. It may be obtained from or derived from an animal, for example, fowl (*e.g.,* chicken) and mammals, which includes but is not limited to a mouse, rat, hamster, rabbit, or other rodent, cow, horse, sheep, goat, camel, human, or other primate. The antibody may be an internalizing antibody. Production of antibodies is disclosed generally in U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/0146888 A1.

Characterization Assays

In the methods described above to generate antibodies according to the invention, including the manipulation of the specific Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D, and Antibody 1-24 (Ab-1 to Ab-24) CDRs into new frameworks and/or constant regions, appropriate assays are available to select the desired antibodies or binding agents (*i.e.* assays for determining binding affinity to sclerostin; cross-blocking assays; Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay;" MC3T3-E1 cell based assay; *in vivo* assays).

Epitope Binding Assays

Mature form human sclerostin is a 190 amino acid glycoprotein with a cystine-knot structure (Figures 8 and 9). In addition to the cystine-knot structure, the protein is characterized as having three loops designated as Loop 1, Loop 2 and Loop 3. Human sclerostin was subjected to proteolytic digestion to produce fragments. Briefly, using different proteases, including trypsin, aspN, and lysC, fragments with various cleavage sites and sizes were generated. The sequences and mass for various human sclerostin peptides were determined. Antibody protection was evaluated to determine the effect on accessibility for proteolysis,

including clipped site masking and peptide shifting. Finally, a BIAcore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition assay" was performed.

Exposure of sclerostin to trypsin cleavage resulted in a pattern of peptide fragments as summarized in Figure 13. The fragments are referred to as T19.2, T20, T20.6, and T21-22. As shown schematically in Figure 19B, the T20.6 epitope is a complex of four separate peptide sequences which are joined by the three disulfide bonds of the cystine-knot region. Two of the peptides are joined by two disulfide bonds. The other two peptides are linked by one disulfide bond that, schematically, bisects the first two polypeptides.

The T20.6 epitope that was generated by trypsin digestion retains the cystine-knot structure of the native polypeptide and is recognized by antibodies Ab-C and Ab-D. A derivative of epitope T20.6 consists of the cystine-knot region and amino acids 58-64, 73-81, 112-117 and 138-141 in sequence position with reference to SEQ ID NO:1. This derivative epitope is shown in Figure 21. An epitope comprising the cystine-knot region may have one or more amino acids that is present in the T20.6 epitope (Figure 19B) but not present in the T20.6 derivative epitope (Figure 21).

Another epitope-containing region was identified in the Loop 2 region of human sclerostin (Figure 19A) and is recognized by antibodies Ab-A and Ab-B. A Loop 2 epitope comprises amino acids 86-111 of SEQ ID NO:1 (C4GPARLLPNAIGRGKWWRPSGPDFRC5, SEQ ID NO:6). Sterically, with reference to full-length sclerostin of SEQ ID NO:1, the Loop 2-containing structure is defined at one end by a disulfide bond between cysteine at position 86 (C4) and cysteine at position 144 (C8), and at the other end by a disulfide bond between cysteine at position 111 (C5) and cysteine at position 57 (C1).

The peptides generated by aspN cleavage of human sclerostin are shown in Figure 12. In the Figure, these peptides are designated as AspN14.6, AspN18.6, and AspN22.7-23.5, and are also referred to herein as N14.6, N18.6, and N22.7-23.5, respectively.

One group of antibodies exhibits a specific pattern of binding to certain epitopes as evidenced by a Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay." Briefly, the antibody is preincubated with the epitope to be tested, at concentrations that will saturate the epitope-binding sites on the antibody. The antibody is then exposed to sclerostin bound to a chip surface. After the appropriate incubation and washing procedures, a pattern of competitive binding is established. As shown in Figure 18, exemplary antibody Ab-D bound to sclerostin molecules attached to the surface of the chip. Preincubation of antibody Ab-D with sclerostin decreased the binding of the antibody to the sclerostin on the chip to close to zero. Preincubation with a peptide consisting of epitope T19.2 showed that T19.2 did not compete

with sclerostin for antibody binding. However, preincubation with any one of the epitopes designated T20, T20.6, T21-22, or N22.7-23.5 abolished a large proportion of the binding of antibody to sclerostin on the chip. In contrast, preincubation of the antibody with any one of the epitopes designated T19.2, N14.6 or N18.6 did not abolish the ability of the antibody to bind to sclerostin. A second exemplary antibody with this binding profile (Fig. 17) is Ab-C.

Antibody Ab-D therefore is exemplary and representative of a group of antibodies that bind to the epitopes T20, T20.6, T21-22, and N22.7-23.5, and have minimal detectable binding to epitopes T19.2, N14.6 and N18.6, as measured by the ability to block antibody binding to sclerostin. Antibodies having this characteristic binding pattern may or may not share amino acid sequence in one or more regions of the antibody molecule. Antibody similarity is determined functionally such as by the ability to bind to sclerostin following preincubation with each of the epitopes described above. Antibodies that exhibit a binding pattern similar or identical to that of antibody Ab-D are included in the invention. By "similar to" is meant, for example, the antibody will exhibit binding to each of the polypeptides T20, T20.6, T21-22 and N22.7-23.5 whereby this binding will specifically compete out at least 50% of the antibody's binding to sclerostin that would otherwise occur in the absence of preincubation with sclerostin or a sclerostin peptide. The antibody will also exhibit little or no detectable binding to polypeptides T19.2, N14.6 and N18.6, resulting in a reduction of 30% or less of the binding that would occur in the absence of preincubation with sclerostin or a sclerostin peptide.

For example, without being bound by a particular mechanism, the antibody binding pattern of Figure 18 suggests that the epitope space to which antibody Ab-D and other antibodies having the epitope binding pattern of Ab-D bind consists of a polypeptide comprising the cystine-knot region of sclerostin.

Thus, as disclosed herein and with reference to Figure 19B, an exemplary T20.6 epitope comprises four peptide chains attached via three separate disulfide bonds. Peptide chain SAKPVTELVC3SGQC4GPAR (SEQ ID NO:3) is attached to peptide chain LVASC7KC8KRLTR (SEQ ID NO:5) by disulfide bonds from C3 to C7, and from C4 to C8. Peptide chain DVSEYSC1RELHFTR (SEQ ID NO:2) is attached to peptide chain WWRPSGPDFRC5IPDRYR (SEQ ID NO:4) by a disulfide bond from C1 to C5. The polypeptides of SEQ ID NOs:3 and 5 remain associated with the polypeptides of SEQ ID NOs:2 and 4 through a steric construct whereby the C1-C5 bond crosses the plane of the C4-C8 and C3-C7 bonds and is located between them, as illustrated in Figure 19B.

As disclosed herein and with reference to Figure 21, an exemplary derivative epitope of T20.6 comprises four peptide chains attached via three separate disulfide bonds. Peptide chain SAKPVTELVC3SGQC4 (SEQ ID NO:70) is attached to peptide chain LVASC7KC8 (SEQ ID NO:71) by disulfide bonds from C3 to C7, and from C4 to C8. Peptide chain C1RELHFTR (SEQ ID NO:72) is attached to peptide chain C5IPDRYR (SEQ ID NO:73) by a disulfide bond from C1 to C5. The polypeptides of SEQ ID NOs:70 and 71 remain associated with the polypeptides of SEQ ID NOs:72 and 73 through a steric construct whereby the C1-C5 bond crosses the plane of the C4-C8 and C3-C7 bonds and is located between them, as illustrated in Figure 21.

Antibody Ab-A is exemplary and representative of a second group of antibodies that have a characteristic binding pattern to human sclerostin peptides that is distinct from that obtained for antibodies Ab-C and Ab-D. Ab-A and the group of antibodies it represents bind to the N22.7-23.5 epitope and have minimal detectable binding to epitopes T19.2, T20, T20.6, T21-22, N14.6 or N18.6, as measured by the ability to block antibody binding to sclerostin (Fig 15). A second exemplary antibody with this binding profile (Fig. 16) is Ab-B. Antibodies having this characteristic binding pattern may or may not share amino acid sequence in one or more regions of the antibody molecule. Antibody similarity is determined functionally such as by the ability to bind to sclerostin following preincubation with each of the epitopes described above. Antibodies that exhibit a binding pattern similar or identical to that of antibody Ab-A are included in the invention. By "similar to" is meant, for example, the antibody will exhibit binding to the N22.7-23.5 polypeptide whereby this binding will specifically compete out at least 50% of the antibody's binding to sclerostin that would otherwise occur in the absence of preincubation with sclerostin or a sclerostin peptide. The antibody will also exhibit little or no detectable binding to polypeptides T19.2, T20, T20.6, T21-22, N14.6 and N18.6, resulting in a reduction of 30% or less of the binding that would occur in the absence of preincubation with sclerostin or a sclerostin peptide.

For example, without being bound by a particular mechanism, the antibody binding pattern of Figure 15 suggests that the epitope space to which antibody Ab-A and other antibodies having the epitope binding pattern of Ab-A bind consists of a polypeptide comprising the Loop 2 region of sclerostin. Thus, as disclosed herein and with reference to Figure 19A, the Loop 2 region can be described as a linear peptide, but it acquires a tertiary structure when it is present in native sclerostin or a cystine-knot-containing portion of sclerostin in which the native disulfide bond structure is maintained. The linear or tertiary structure of the Loop 2 epitope can affect antibody binding thereto, as discussed in the Examples. A Loop 2 region can comprise

the following amino acid sequence: C4GPARLLPNAIGRGKWWRPSGPDFRC5 (SEQ ID NO:6). "C4" refers to a cysteine residue located at position 86 with reference to SEQ ID NO:1. "C5" refers to a cysteine residue located at position 111 with reference to SEQ ID NO:1. In native sclerostin protein, C4 is linked to a cysteine at position 144 (C8) by a disulfide bond, and C5 is linked to a cysteine at position 57 (C1) by a disulfide bond. Epitopes derived from the Loop 2 region include CGPARLLPNAIGRGKWWRPS (SEQ ID NO:63); GPARLLPNAIGRGKWWRPSG (SEQ ID NO:64); PARLLPNAIGRGKWWRPSGP (SEQ ID NO:65); ARLLPNAIGRGKWWRPSGPD (SEQ ID NO:66); RLLPNAIGRGKWWRPSGPDF (SEQ ID NO:67); LLPNAIGRGKWWRPSGPDFR (SEQ ID NO:68); and LPNAIGRGKWWRPSGPDFRC (SEQ ID NO:69)

CROSS-BLOCKING ASSAYS

The terms "cross-block", "cross-blocked" and "cross-blocking" are used interchangeably herein to mean the ability of an antibody or other binding agent to interfere with the binding of other antibodies or binding agents to sclerostin.

The extent to which an antibody or other binding agent is able to interfere with the binding of another to sclerostin, and therefore whether it can be said to cross-block according to the invention, can be determined using competition binding assays. One particularly suitable quantitative assay uses a Biacore machine which can measure the extent of interactions using surface plasmon resonance technology. Another suitable quantitative cross-blocking assay uses an ELISA-based approach to measure competition between antibodies or other binding agents in terms of their binding to sclerostin.

BIACORE CROSS-BLOCKING ASSAY

The following generally describes a suitable Biacore assay for determining whether an antibody or other binding agent cross-blocks or is capable of cross-blocking according to the invention. For convenience reference is made to two antibodies, but it will be appreciated that the assay can be used with any of the sclerostin binding agents described herein. The Biacore machine (for example the Biacore 3000) is operated in line with the manufacturer's recommendations.

Thus in one cross-blocking assay, sclerostin is coupled to a CM5 Biacore chip using standard amine coupling chemistry to generate a sclerostin-coated surface. Typically 200-800 resonance units of sclerostin would be coupled to the chip (an amount that gives easily

measurable levels of binding but that is readily saturable by the concentrations of test reagent being used).

The two antibodies (termed A* and B*) to be assessed for their ability to cross-block each other are mixed at a one to one molar ratio of binding sites in a suitable buffer to create the test mixture. When calculating the concentrations on a binding site basis the molecular weight of an antibody is assumed to be the total molecular weight of the antibody divided by the number of sclerostin binding sites on that antibody.

The concentration of each antibody in the test mix should be high enough to readily saturate the binding sites for that antibody on the sclerostin molecules captured on the Biacore chip. The antibodies in the mixture are at the same molar concentration (on a binding basis) and that concentration would typically be between 1.00 and 1.5 micromolar (on a binding site basis).

Separate solutions containing antibody A* alone and antibody B* alone are also prepared. Antibody A* and antibody B* in these solutions should be in the same buffer and at the same concentration as in the test mix.

The test mixture is passed over the sclerostin-coated Biacore chip and the total amount of binding recorded. The chip is then treated in such a way as to remove the bound antibodies without damaging the chip-bound sclerostin. Typically this is done by treating the chip with 30 mM HCl for 60 seconds.

The solution of antibody A* alone is then passed over the sclerostin-coated surface and the amount of binding recorded. The chip is again treated to remove all of the bound antibody without damaging the chip-bound sclerostin.

The solution of antibody B* alone is then passed over the sclerostin-coated surface and the amount of binding recorded.

The maximum theoretical binding of the mixture of antibody A* and antibody B* is next calculated, and is the sum of the binding of each antibody when passed over the sclerostin surface alone. If the actual recorded binding of the mixture is less than this theoretical maximum then the two antibodies are cross-blocking each other.

Thus, in general, a cross-blocking antibody or other binding agent according to the invention is one which will bind to sclerostin in the above Biacore cross-blocking assay such that during the assay and in the presence of a second antibody or other binding agent of the invention the recorded binding is between 80% and 0.1% (*e.g.* 80% to 4%) of the maximum theoretical binding, specifically between 75% and 0.1% (*e.g.* 75% to 4%) of the maximum theoretical binding, and more specifically between 70% and 0.1% (*e.g.* 70% to 4%) of maximum

theoretical binding (as just defined above) of the two antibodies or binding agents in combination.

The Biacore assay described above is a primary assay used to determine if antibodies or other binding agents cross-block each other according to the invention. On rare occasions particular antibodies or other binding agents may not bind to sclerostin coupled via amine chemistry to a CM5 Biacore chip (this usually occurs when the relevant binding site on sclerostin is masked or destroyed by the coupling to the chip). In such cases cross-blocking can be determined using a tagged version of Sclerostin, for example N-terminal His-tagged Sclerostin (R & D Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA; 2005 cat# 1406-ST-025). In this particular format, an anti-His antibody would be coupled to the Biacore chip and then the His-tagged Sclerostin would be passed over the surface of the chip and captured by the anti-His antibody. The cross blocking analysis would be carried out essentially as described above, except that after each chip regeneration cycle, new His-tagged sclerostin would be loaded back onto the anti-His antibody coated surface. In addition to the example given using N-terminal His-tagged Sclerostin, C-terminal His-tagged sclerostin could alternatively be used. Furthermore, various other tags and tag binding protein combinations that are known in the art could be used for such a cross-blocking analysis (*e.g.* HA tag with anti-HA antibodies; FLAG tag with anti-FLAG antibodies; biotin tag with streptavidin).

ELISA-BASED CROSS-BLOCKING ASSAY

The following generally describes an ELISA assay for determining whether an anti-sclerostin antibody or other sclerostin binding agent cross-blocks or is capable of cross-blocking according to the invention. For convenience, reference is made to two antibodies (Ab-X and Ab-Y), but it will be appreciated that the assay can be used with any of the sclerostin binding agents described herein.

The general principal of the assay is to have an anti-sclerostin antibody coated onto the wells of an ELISA plate. An excess amount of a second, potentially cross-blocking, anti-sclerostin antibody is added in solution (*i.e.* not bound to the ELISA plate). A limited amount of sclerostin is then added to the wells. The coated antibody and the antibody in solution compete for binding of the limited number of sclerostin molecules. The plate is washed to remove sclerostin that has not been bound by the coated antibody and to also remove the second, solution phase antibody as well as any complexes formed between the second, solution phase antibody and sclerostin. The amount of bound sclerostin is then measured using an

appropriate sclerostin detection reagent. An antibody in solution that is able to cross-block the coated antibody will be able to cause a decrease in the number of sclerostin molecules that the coated antibody can bind relative to the number of sclerostin molecules that the coated antibody can bind in the absence of the second, solution phase, antibody.

This assay is described in more detail further below for Ab-X and Ab-Y. In the instance where Ab-X is chosen to be the immobilized antibody, it is coated onto the wells of the ELISA plate, after which the plates are blocked with a suitable blocking solution to minimize non-specific binding of reagents that are subsequently added. An excess amount of Ab-Y is then added to the ELISA plate such that the moles of Ab-Y sclerostin binding sites per well are at least 10 fold higher than the moles of Ab-X sclerostin binding sites that were used, per well, during the coating of the ELISA plate. Sclerostin is then added such that the moles of sclerostin added per well are at least 25-fold lower than the moles of Ab-X sclerostin binding sites that were used for coating each well. Following a suitable incubation period the ELISA plate is washed and a sclerostin detection reagent is added to measure the amount of sclerostin specifically bound by the coated anti-sclerostin antibody (in this case Ab-X). The background signal for the assay is defined as the signal obtained in wells with the coated antibody (in this case Ab-X), second solution phase antibody (in this case Ab-Y), sclerostin buffer only (*i.e.* no sclerostin) and sclerostin detection reagents. The positive control signal for the assay is defined as the signal obtained in wells with the coated antibody (in this case Ab-X), second solution phase antibody buffer only (*i.e.* no second solution phase antibody), sclerostin and sclerostin detection reagents. The ELISA assay needs to be run in such a manner so as to have the positive control signal be at least 6 times the background signal.

To avoid any artifacts (*e.g.* significantly different affinities between Ab-X and Ab-Y for sclerostin) resulting from the choice of which antibody to use as the coating antibody and which to use as the second (competitor) antibody, the cross-blocking assay needs to be run in two formats:

1) format 1 is where Ab-X is the antibody that is coated onto the ELISA plate and Ab-Y is the competitor antibody that is in solution

and

2) format 2 is where Ab-Y is the antibody that is coated onto the ELISA plate and Ab-X is the competitor antibody that is in solution.

Ab-X and Ab-Y are defined as cross-blocking if, either in format 1 or in format 2, the solution phase anti-sclerostin antibody is able to cause a reduction of between 60% and 100%, specifically between 70% and 100%, and more specifically between 80% and 100%, of the sclerostin detection signal (*i.e.* the amount of sclerostin bound by the coated antibody) as compared to the sclerostin detection signal obtained in the absence of the solution phase anti-sclerostin antibody (*i.e.* the positive control wells).

An example of such an ELISA-based cross blocking assay can be found in Example 7 ("ELISA-based cross-blocking assay").

CELL BASED NEUTRALIZATION ASSAY

Mineralization by osteoblast-lineage cells in culture, either primary cells or cell lines, is used as an *in vitro* model of bone formation. Mineralization takes from about one to six weeks to occur beginning with the induction of osteoblast-lineage cell differentiation by one or more differentiation agents. The overall sequence of events involves cell proliferation, differentiation, extracellular matrix production, matrix maturation and finally deposition of mineral, which refers to crystallization and/or deposition of calcium phosphate. This sequence of events starting with cell proliferation and differentiation, and ending with deposition of mineral is referred to herein as mineralization. Measurement of calcium (mineral) is the output of the assay.

MC3T3-E1 cells (Sudo H, Kodama H-A, Amagai Y, Yamamoto S, Kasai S. 1983. *In vitro differentiation and calcification in a new clonal osteogenic cell line derived from newborn mouse calvaria.* J. Cell Biol. 96:191-198) and subclones of the original cell line can form mineral in culture upon growth in the presence of differentiating agents. Such subclones include MC3T3-E1-BF (Smith E, Redman R, Logg C, Coetzee G, Kasahara N, Frenkel B. 2000. *Glucocorticoids inhibit developmental stage-specific osteoblast cell cycle.* J. Biol. Chem. 275:19992-20001). For both the MC3T3-E1-BF subclone as well as the original MC3T3-E1 cells, sclerostin can inhibit one or more of the sequence of events leading up to and including mineral deposition (*i.e.* sclerostin inhibits mineralization). Anti-sclerostin antibodies that are able to neutralize sclerostin's inhibitory activity allow for mineralization of the culture in the presence of sclerostin such that there is a statistically significant increase in deposition of calcium phosphate (measured as calcium) as compared to the amount of calcium measured in the sclerostin-only (*i.e.* no antibody) treatment group. The antibodies used in the cell based mineralization assay experiments shown in Figures 22, 23 and 24 have molecular weights of about 145 Kd and have 2 sclerostin binding sites per antibody molecule.

When running the assay with the goal of determining whether a particular anti-sclerostin antibody or anti-sclerostin binding agent can neutralize sclerostin (*i.e.*, is a sclerostin neutralizing antibody or derivative thereof, or is a sclerostin neutralizing binding agent), the amount of sclerostin used in the assay needs to be the minimum amount of sclerostin that causes at least a 70%, statistically significant, reduction in deposition of calcium phosphate (measured as calcium) in the sclerostin-only group, as compared to the amount of calcium measured in the no sclerostin group. An anti-sclerostin neutralizing antibody or an anti-sclerostin neutralizing binding agent is defined as one that causes a statistically significant increase in deposition of calcium phosphate (measured as calcium) as compared to the amount of calcium measured in the sclerostin-only (*i.e.* no antibody, no binding agent) treatment group. To determine whether an anti-sclerostin antibody or an anti-sclerostin binding agent is neutralizing or not, the amount of anti-sclerostin antibody or anti-sclerostin binding agent used in the assay needs to be such that there is an excess of moles of sclerostin binding sites per well as compared to the number of moles of sclerostin per well. Depending on the potency of the antibody, the fold excess that may be required can be 24, 18, 12, 6, 3, or 1.5, and one of skill is familiar with the routine practice of testing more than one concentration of binding agent. For example, a very potent anti-sclerostin neutralizing antibody or anti-sclerostin neutralizing binding agent will be able to neutralize sclerostin even when there is less than a 6-fold excess of moles of sclerostin binding sites per well as compared to the number of moles of sclerostin per well. A less potent anti-sclerostin neutralizing antibody or anti-sclerostin neutralizing binding agent will be able to neutralize sclerostin only at a 12, 18 or 24 fold excess. Sclerostin binding agents within this full range of potencies are suitable as neutralizing sclerostin binding agents. Exemplary cell based mineralization assays are described in detail in Example 8.

Anti-sclerostin antibodies and derivatives thereof that can neutralize human sclerostin, and sclerostin binding agents that can neutralize human sclerostin may be of use in the treatment of human conditions/disorders that are caused by, associated with, or result in at least one of low bone formation, low bone mineral density, low bone mineral content, low bone mass, low bone quality and low bone strength.

IN VIVO NEUTRALIZATION ASSAY

Increases in various parameters associated with, or that result from, the stimulation of new bone formation can be measured as an output from *in vivo* testing of sclerostin binding agents in order to identify those binding agents that are able to neutralize sclerostin and thus able to cause stimulation of new bone formation. Such parameters include

various serum anabolic markers [*e.g.* osteocalcin, P1NP (n-terminal propeptide of type 1 procollagen)], histomorphometric markers of bone formation (*e.g.* osteoblast surface/bone surface; bone formation rate/bone surface; trabecular thickness), bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength. A sclerostin neutralizing binding agent is defined as one capable of causing a statistically significant increase, as compared to vehicle treated animals, in any parameter associated with, or that results from, the stimulation of new bone formation. Such *in vivo* testing can be performed in any suitable mammal (*e.g.* mouse, rat, monkey). An example of such *in vivo* testing can be found in Example 5 ("*In vivo* testing of anti-sclerostin monoclonal antibodies").

Although the amino acid sequence of sclerostin is not 100% identical across mammalian species (*e.g.* mouse sclerostin is not 100% identical to human sclerostin), it will be appreciated by one skilled in the art that a sclerostin binding agent that can neutralize, *in vivo*, the sclerostin of a certain species (*e.g.* mouse) and that also can bind human sclerostin *in vitro* is very likely to be able to neutralize human sclerostin *in vivo*. Thus, such a human sclerostin binding agent (*e.g.* anti-human sclerostin antibody) may be of use in the treatment of human conditions/disorders that are caused by, associated with, or result in at least one of low bone formation, low bone mineral density, low bone mineral content, low bone mass, low bone quality and low bone strength. Mice in which homologous recombination had been used to delete the mouse sclerostin gene and insert the human sclerostin gene in its place (*i.e.* human sclerostin gene knock-in mice or human SOST knock-in mice) would be an example of an additional *in vivo* system.

Pharmaceutical compositions are provided, comprising one of the above-described binding agents such as at least one of antibody Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C, Ab-D and Ab-1 toAb-24 to human sclerostin, along with a pharmaceutically or physiologically acceptable carrier, excipient, or diluent. Pharmaceutical compositions and methods of treatment are disclosed in copending Application Serial No. 10/868,497, filed June 16, 2004, which claims priority to Serial No. 60/478,977, both of which are incorporated by reference herein.

The development of suitable dosing and treatment regimens for using the particular compositions described herein in a variety of treatment regimens, including *e.g.*, subcutaneous, oral, parenteral, intravenous, intranasal, and intramuscular administration and formulation, is well known in the art, some of which are briefly discussed below for general purposes of illustration.

In certain applications, the pharmaceutical compositions disclosed herein may be delivered *via* oral administration to an animal. As such, these compositions may be formulated with an inert diluent or with an assimilable edible carrier, or they may be enclosed in hard- or soft-shell gelatin capsule, or they may be compressed into tablets, or they may be incorporated directly with the food of the diet.

In certain circumstances it will be desirable to deliver the pharmaceutical compositions disclosed herein subcutaneously, parenterally, intravenously, intramuscularly, or even intraperitoneally. Such approaches are well known to the skilled artisan, some of which are further described, for example, in U.S. Patent No. 5,543,158; U.S. Patent No. 5,641,515 and U.S. Patent No. 5,399,363. In certain embodiments, solutions of the active compounds as free base or pharmacologically acceptable salts may be prepared in water suitably mixed with a surfactant, such as hydroxypropylcellulose. Dispersions may also be prepared in glycerol, liquid polyethylene glycols, and mixtures thereof and in oils. Under ordinary conditions of storage and use, these preparations generally will contain a preservative to prevent the growth of microorganisms.

Illustrative pharmaceutical forms suitable for injectable use include sterile aqueous solutions or dispersions and sterile powders for the extemporaneous preparation of sterile injectable solutions or dispersions (for example, see U.S. Patent No. 5,466,468). In all cases the form must be sterile and must be fluid to the extent that easy syringability exists. It must be stable under the conditions of manufacture and storage and must be preserved against the contaminating action of microorganisms, such as bacteria and fungi. The carrier can be a solvent or dispersion medium containing, for example, water, ethanol, polyol (*e.g.*, glycerol, propylene glycol, and liquid polyethylene glycol, and the like), suitable mixtures thereof, and/or vegetable oils. Proper fluidity may be maintained, for example, by the use of a coating, such as lecithin, by the maintenance of the required particle size in the case of dispersion and/or by the use of surfactants. The prevention of the action of microorganisms can be facilitated by various antibacterial and antifungal agents, for example, parabens, chlorobutanol, phenol, sorbic acid, thimerosal, and the like. In many cases, it will be preferable to include isotonic agents, for example, sugars or sodium chloride. Prolonged absorption of the injectable compositions can be brought about by the use in the compositions of agents delaying absorption, for example, aluminum monostearate and gelatin.

In one embodiment, for parenteral administration in an aqueous solution, the solution should be suitably buffered if necessary and the liquid diluent first rendered isotonic

with sufficient saline or glucose. These particular aqueous solutions are especially suitable for intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous and intraperitoneal administration. In this connection, a sterile aqueous medium that can be employed will be known to those of skill in the art in light of the present disclosure. For example, one dosage may be dissolved in 1 ml of isotonic NaCl solution and either added to 1000 ml of hypodermoclysis fluid or injected at the proposed site of infusion, (see for example, *Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences*, 15th ed., pp. 1035-1038 and 1570-1580). Some variation in dosage will necessarily occur depending on the condition of the subject being treated. Moreover, for human administration, preparations will of course preferably meet sterility, pyrogenicity, and the general safety and purity standards as required by FDA Office of Biologics standards.

In another embodiment of the invention, the compositions disclosed herein may be formulated in a neutral or salt form. Illustrative pharmaceutically-acceptable salts include the acid addition salts (formed with the free amino groups of the protein) and which are formed with inorganic acids such as, for example, hydrochloric or phosphoric acids, or such organic acids as acetic, oxalic, tartaric, mandelic, and the like. Salts formed with the free carboxyl groups can also be derived from inorganic bases such as, for example, sodium, potassium, ammonium, calcium, or ferric hydroxides, and such organic bases as isopropylamine, trimethylamine, histidine, procaine and the like. Upon formulation, solutions will be administered in a manner compatible with the dosage formulation and in such amount as is therapeutically effective.

The carriers can further comprise any and all solvents, dispersion media, vehicles, coatings, diluents, antibacterial and antifungal agents, isotonic and absorption delaying agents, buffers, carrier solutions, suspensions, colloids, and the like. The use of such media and agents for pharmaceutical active substances is well known in the art. Except insofar as any conventional media or agent is incompatible with the active ingredient, its use in the therapeutic compositions is contemplated. Supplementary active ingredients can also be incorporated into the compositions. The phrase "pharmaceutically-acceptable" refers to molecular entities and compositions that do not produce an allergic or similar untoward reaction when administered to a human.

In certain embodiments, liposomes, nanocapsules, microparticles, lipid particles, vesicles, and the like, are used for the introduction of the compositions of the present invention into suitable host cells/organisms. In particular, the compositions of the present invention may be formulated for delivery either encapsulated in a lipid particle, a liposome, a vesicle, a

nanosphere, or a nanoparticle or the like. Alternatively, compositions of the present invention can be bound, either covalently or non-covalently, to the surface of such carrier vehicles.

The formation and use of liposome and liposome-like preparations as potential drug carriers is generally known to those of skill in the art (see for example, Lasic, *Trends Biotechnol. 16*(7):307-21, 1998; Takakura, *Nippon Rinsho 56*(3):691-95, 1998; Chandran et al., *Indian J. Exp. Biol. 35*(8):801-09, 1997; Margalit, *Crit. Rev. Ther. Drug Carrier Syst. 12*(2-3):233-61, 1995; U.S. Patent No. 5,567,434; U.S. Patent No. 5,552,157; U.S. Patent No. 5,565,213; U.S. Patent No. 5,738,868 and U.S. Patent No. 5,795,587, each specifically incorporated herein by reference in its entirety). The use of liposomes does not appear to be associated with autoimmune responses or unacceptable toxicity after systemic delivery. In certain embodiments, liposomes are formed from phospholipids that are dispersed in an aqueous medium and spontaneously form multilamellar concentric bilayer vesicles (also termed multilamellar vesicles (MLVs)).

Alternatively, in other embodiments, the invention provides for pharmaceutically-acceptable nanocapsule formulations of the compositions of the present invention. Nanocapsules can generally entrap compounds in a stable and reproducible way (see, for example, Quintanar-Guerrero et al., *Drug Dev. Ind. Pharm. 24*(12):1113-28, 1998). To avoid side effects due to intracellular polymeric overloading, such ultrafine particles (sized around 0.1μm) may be designed using polymers able to be degraded *in vivo*. Such particles can be made as described, for example, by Couvreur et al., *Crit. Rev. Ther. Drug Carrier Syst. 5*(1):1-20, 1988; zur Muhlen et al., *Eur. J. Pharm. Biopharm. 45*(2):149-55, 1998; Zambaux et al., *J. Controlled Release 50*(1-3):31-40, 1998; and U.S. Patent No. 5,145,684.

In addition, pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention may be placed within containers, along with packaging material that provides instructions regarding the use of such pharmaceutical compositions. Generally, such instructions will include a tangible expression describing the reagent concentration, as well as within certain embodiments, relative amounts of excipient ingredients or diluents (*e.g.*, water, saline or PBS) that may be necessary to reconstitute the pharmaceutical composition.

The dose administered may range from 0.01 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg of body weight. As will be evident to one of skill in the art, the amount and frequency of administration will depend, of course, on such factors as the nature and severity of the indication being treated, the

desired response, the condition of the patient, and so forth. Typically, the compositions may be administered by a variety of techniques, as noted above.

Increases in bone mineral content and/or bone mineral density may be determined directly through the use of X-rays (*e.g.*, Dual Energy X-ray Absorptometry or "DEXA"), or by inference through the measurement of 1) markers of bone formation and/or osteoblast activity, such as, but not limited to, osteoblast specific alkaline phosphatase, osteocalcin, type 1 procollagen C' propeptide (PICP), total alkaline phosphatase (*see* Comier, *Curr. Opin. in Rheu.* 7:243(1995)) and serum procollagen 1 N-terminal propeptide (P1NP) and/or 2) markers of bone resorption and/or osteoclast activity including, but not limited to, pyridinoline, deoxypryridinoline, N-telopeptide, urinary hydroxyproline, plasma tartrate-resistant acid phosphatases, and galactosyl hydroxylysine; (*see* Comier, *id*), serum TRAP 5b (tartrate-resistant acid phosphatase isoform 5b) and serum cross-linked C-telopeptide (sCTXI). The amount of bone mass may also be calculated from body weights or by using other methods (see Guinness-Hey, *Metab. Bone Dis. Relat. Res.* 5:177-181, 1984).Animals and particular animal models are used in the art for testing the effect of the compositions and methods of the invention on, for example, parameters of bone loss, bone resorption, bone formation, bone strength or bone mineralization that mimic conditions of human disease such as osteoporosis and osteopenias. Examples of such models include the ovariectomized rat model (Kalu, D.N., *The ovariectomized rat model of postmenopausal bone loss. Bone and Mineral* 15:175-192 (1991); Frost, H.M. and Jee, W.S.S. *On the rat model of human osteopenias and osteoporosis. Bone and Mineral* 18:227-236 (1992); and Jee, W.S.S. and Yao, W., *Overview: animal models of osteopenia and osteoporosis. J. Musculoskel. Neuron. Interact.* 1:193-207 (2001)).

Particular conditions which may be treated by the compositions of the present invention include dysplasias, wherein growth or development of bone is abnormal and a wide variety of causes of osteopenia, osteoporosis and bone loss. Representative examples of such conditions include achondroplasia, cleidocranial dysostosis, enchondromatosis, fibrous dysplasia, Gaucher's Disease, hypophosphatemic rickets, Marfan's syndrome, multiple hereditary exotoses, neurofibromatosis, osteogenesis imperfecta, osteopetrosis, osteopoikilosis, sclerotic lesions, pseudoarthrosis, and pyogenic osteomyelitis, periodontal disease, anti-epileptic drug induced bone loss, primary and secondary hyperparathyroidism, familial hyperparathyroidism syndromes, weightlessness induced bone loss, osteoporosis in men, postmenopausal bone loss, osteoarthritis, renal osteodystrophy, infiltrative disorders of bone, oral bone loss, osteonecrosis of the jaw, juvenile Paget's disease, melorheostosis, metabolic bone diseases, mastocytosis, sickle cell anemia/disease, organ transplant related bone loss,

kidney transplant related bone loss, systemic lupus erythematosus, ankylosing spondylitis, epilepsy, juvenile arthritides, thalassemia, mucopolysaccharidoses, fabry disease, turner syndrome, Down Syndrome, Klinefelter Syndrome, leprosy, Perthes' Disease, adolescent idiopathic scoliosis, infantile onset multi-system inflammatory disease, Winchester Syndrome, Menkes Disease, Wilson's Disease, ischemic bone disease (such as Legg-Calve-Perthes disease, regional migratory osteoporosis), anemic states, conditions caused by steroids, glucocorticoid-induced bone loss, heparin-induced bone loss, bone marrow disorders, scurvy, malnutrition, calcium deficiency, idiopathic osteopenia or osteoporosis, congenital osteopenia or osteoporosis, alcoholism, chronic liver disease, postmenopausal state, chronic inflammatory conditions, rheumatoid arthritis, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, inflammatory colitis, Crohn's disease, oligomenorrhea, amenorrhea, pregnancy, diabetes mellitus, hyperthyroidism, thyroid disorders, parathyroid disorders, Cushing's disease, acromegaly, hypogonadism, immobilization or disuse, reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, regional osteoporosis, osteomalacia, bone loss associated with joint replacement, HIV associated bone loss, bone loss associated with loss of growth hormone, bone loss associated with cystic fibrosis, fibrous dysplasia, chemotherapy associated bone loss, tumor induced bone loss, cancer-related bone loss, hormone ablative bone loss, multiple myeloma, drug-induced bone loss, anorexia nervosa, disease associated facial bone loss, disease associated cranial bone loss, disease associated bone loss of the jaw, disease associated bone loss of the skull, and bone loss associated with space travel. Further conditions relate to bone loss associated with aging, including facial bone loss associated with aging, cranial bone loss associated with aging, jaw bone loss associated with aging, and skull bone loss associated with aging.

Compositions of the present invention may also be useful for improving outcomes in orthopedic procedures, dental procedures, implant surgery, joint replacement, bone grafting, bone cosmetic surgery and bone repair such as fracture healing, nonunion healing, delayed union healing and facial reconstruction. One or more compositions may be administered before, during and/or after the procedure, replacement, graft, surgery or repair.

The invention also provides a diagnostic kit comprising at least one anti-sclerostin binding agent according to the present invention. The binding agent may be an antibody. In addition, such a kit may optionally comprise one or more of the following:

(1) instructions for using the one or more binding agent(s) for screening, diagnosis, prognosis, therapeutic monitoring or any combination of these applications;

(2) a labeled binding partner to the anti-sclerostin binding agent(s);

(3) a solid phase (such as a reagent strip) upon which the anti-sclerostin binding agent(s) is immobilized; and

(4) a label or insert indicating regulatory approval for screening, diagnostic, prognostic or therapeutic use or any combination thereof.

If no labeled binding partner to the binding agent(s) is provided, the binding agent(s) itself can be labeled with one or more of a detectable marker(s), *e.g.* a chemiluminescent, enzymatic, fluorescent, or radioactive moiety.

The following examples are offered by way of illustration, and not by way of limitation.

EXAMPLES

EXAMPLE 1

Recombinant Expression of Sclerostin

Recombinant human sclerostin/SOST is commercially available from R&D Systems (Minneapolis, MN, USA; 2006 cat# 1406-ST-025). Additionally, recombinant mouse sclerostin/SOST is commercially available from R&D Systems (Minneapolis, MN, USA; 2006 cat# 1589-ST-025).

Alternatively, the different species of sclerostin can be expressed transiently in serum-free suspension adapted 293T or 293EBNA cells. Transfections can be performed as 500 mL or 1L cultures. The following reagents and materials are available from Gibco BRL (now Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA). Catalog numbers are listed in parentheses: serum-free DMEM (21068-028); DMEM/F12 (3:1) (21068/11765); 1X Insulin-Transferrin-Selenium Supplement (51500-056); 1X Pen Strep Glut (10378-016); 2mM l-Glutamine (25030-081); 20 mM HEPES (15630-080); 0.01% Pluronic F68 (24040-032). Briefly, the cell inoculum (5.0-10.0 X 10^5 cells/mL X culture volume) is centrifuged at 2,500 RPM for 10 minutes at 4°C to remove the conditioned medium.

The cells are resuspended in serum-free DMEM and centrifuged again at 2,500 RPM for 10 minutes at 4°C. After aspirating the wash solution, the cells are resuspended in growth medium [DMEM/F12 (3:1) + 1X Insulin-Transferrin-Selenium Supplement + 1X Pen Strep Glut + 2mM L-Glutamine + 20 mM HEPES + 0.01% Pluronic F68] in a 1L or 3L spinner flask culture. The spinner flask culture is maintained on magnetic stir plate at 125 RPM which is placed in a humidified incubator maintained at 37°C and 5% CO_2. The mammalian

expression plasmid DNA (*e.g.* pcDNA3.1, pCEP4, Invitrogen Life Technologies, Carlsbad, CA), containing the complete coding region (and stop codon) of sclerostin with a Kozak consensus sequence (*e.g.*, CCACC) directly 5' of the start site ATG, is complexed to the transfection reagent in a 50 mL conical tube.

The DNA-transfection reagent complex can be prepared in 5-10% of the final culture volume in serum-free DMEM or OPTI-MEM. The transfection reagents that can be used for this purpose include X-tremeGene RO-1539 (Roche Applied Science, Indianapolis, IN), FuGene6 (Roche Applied Science, Indianapolis, IN), Lipofectamine 2000 (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA) and 293fectin (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA). 1-5 μg plasmid DNA/mL culture is first added to serum-free DMEM, followed by 1-5 μl transfection reagent/mL culture. The complexes can be incubated at room temperature for approximately 10-30 minutes and then added to the cells in the spinner flask. The transfection/expression can be performed for 4-7 days, after which the conditioned medium (CM) is harvested by centrifugation at 4,000 RPM for 60 minutes at 4°C.

EXAMPLE 2

PURIFICATION OF RECOMBINANT SCLEROSTIN

Recombinant sclerostin was purified from mammalian host cells as follows. All purification processes were carried out at room temperature. One purification scheme was used to purify various species of sclerostin, including murine and human sclerostin. The purification scheme used affinity chromatography followed by cation exchange chromatography.

Heparin Chromatography

The mammalian host cell conditioned medium (CM) was centrifuged in a Beckman J6-M1 centrifuge at 4000 rpm for 1hour at 4°C to remove cell debris. The CM supernatant was then filtered through a sterile 0.2 μm filter. (At this point the sterile filtered CM may be optionally stored frozen until purification.) If the CM was frozen, it was thawed at the following temperatures, or combination thereof: 4°C, room temperature or warm water. Following thawing the CM was filtered through a sterile 0.2 μm filter and optionally concentrated by tangential flow ultrafiltration (TFF) using a 10 kD molecular weight cut-off membrane. The CM concentrate was filtered through a sterile 0.2 μm filter and then loaded onto a Heparin High Performance (Heparin HP) column (GE Healthcare, formerly Amersham

Biosciences) equilibrated in PBS. Alternatively, the filtered CM supernatant may be loaded directly onto the Heparin HP column equilibrated in PBS.

After loading, the Heparin HP column was washed with PBS until the absorbance at 280 nm of the flow-through returned to baseline (*i.e.*, absorbance measured before loading CM supernatant). The sclerostin was then eluted from the column using a linear gradient from 150 mM to 2M sodium chloride in PBS. The absorbance at 280 nm of the eluate was monitored and fractions containing protein were collected. The fractions were then assayed by Coomassie-stained SDS-PAGE to identify fractions containing a polypeptide that migrates at the size of glycosylated sclerostin. The appropriate fractions from the column were combined to make the Heparin HP pool.

Cation Exchange Chromatography

The sclerostin eluted from the Heparin HP column was further purified by cation exchange chromatography using SP High Performance (SPHP) chromatography media (GE Healthcare, formerly Amersham Biosciences). The Heparin HP pool was buffer exchanged into PBS by dialysis using 10,000 MWCO membranes (Pierce Slide-A-Lyzer). The dialyzed Heparin HP pool was then loaded onto an SPHP column equilibrated in PBS. After loading, the column was washed with PBS until the absorbance at 280 nm of the flow-through returned to baseline. The sclerostin was then eluted from the SPHP column using a linear gradient from 150 mM to 1 M sodium chloride in PBS. The absorbance at 280 nm of the eluate was monitored and the eluted sclerostin was collected in fractions. The fractions were then assayed by Coomassie-stained SDS-PAGE to identify fractions containing a polypeptide that migrates at the size of glycosylated sclerostin. The appropriate fractions from the column were combined to make the SPHP pool.

Formulation

Following purification, the SPHP pool was formulated in PBS by dialysis using 10,000 MWCO membranes (Pierce Slide-A-Lyzer). If concentration of sclerostin was necessary, a centrifugal device (Amicon Centricon or Centriprep) with a 10,000 MWCO membrane was used. Following formulation the sclerostin was filtered through a sterile 0.2 μm filter and stored at 4°C or frozen.

EXAMPLE 3

PEPTIDE BINDING ELISA

A series of overlapping peptides (each peptide being approximately 20-25 amino acids long) were synthesized based on the known amino acid sequence of rat sclerostin (SEQ ID NO:98). The peptides were designed such that they all contained a reduced cysteine residue; an additional cysteine was included at the C-terminus of each peptide which did not already contain one in its sequence. This enabled the peptides to be bound to the assay plates by covalent coupling, using commercially available sulfhydryl binding plates (Costar), at a concentration of 1μg/ml, in phosphate buffered saline (PBS: pH 6.5) containing 1 mM EDTA. Following incubation for 1 hour at room temperature, the plates were washed three times with PBS containing 0.5% Tween 20. The plates were blocked by incubation with a PBS solution containing 0.5% fish skin gelatin (Sigma) for 30 minutes at room temperature and then washed three times in PBS containing 0.5% Tween 20.

Antibodies to be tested were diluted to 1μg/ml in PBS containing 0.5% fish skin gelatin and incubated with the peptide-coated plates for 1 hour at room temperature. Excess antibody was removed by three washes with PBS, 0.5% Tween 20. The plates were then incubated with an appropriate secondary antibody conjugated to horseradish peroxidase (diluted appropriately in PBS containing 0.5% Tween 20) and capable of binding to the antibody of interest. The plates were then washed three times: once with PBS containing 0.5% Tween 20, and twice with PBS. Finally the plates were incubated with a horseradish peroxidase chromogenic substrate (TMB-Stable Stop, RDI) for 5 minutes at room temperature, the color development was stopped with acid, and the plates' optical density measured at 450nm.

Materials

Costar's Sulfhydryl Binding Plates (VWR # 29442-278)

Coating Buffer: 1XPBS PH 6.5 + 1mM EDTA

Blocking Buffer: 1X PBS + 0.5% Fish Skin Gelatin (PBS from CS; FSG from Sigma# G 7765)

Wash Buffer: 1X PBS + 0.5% Tween 20

Rat Sclerostin peptides

Antibody Samples: Transient Ab, Purified recombinant Ab, rabbit Serum, etc.

Appropriate secondary Ab: Goat-anti-Rabbit/Mouse-HRP (Jackson Immuno Research,115-036-072)

TMB-Stable Stop (RDI# RDI-TMBSX-1L)

0.5M HCl

Methods were as follows:

1. Coat plates with 100µl/well of rat sclerostin peptide diluted in 1XPBS PH 6.5 + 1mM EDTA at 1µg/ml. Incubate plates 1 hour at room temperature. (Plates should be used within 30 minutes of opening).
2. Wash plates 3X with wash buffer.
3. Block plates with 200ul/well blocking buffer. Incubate plates 30 minutes at room temp.
4. Repeat washing as described in (2).
5. Incubate plates with 50ul/well of samples diluted in blocking buffer - Serum titers starting at 1:100; Transient Recombinant Ab use neat; Purified recombinant Ab use at 1µg/ml (all samples run in duplicates). Incubate plates 1h at room temp.
6. Wash plates as described in (2).
7. Incubate plates with 50µl/well of appropriate Secondary Antibody (HRP labeled) diluted 1:1600 in Blocking Buffer. Incubate plates 1 hour at room temperature.
8. Wash plates 1X wash buffer , 2x PBS
9. Incubate plates with 50µl/well of TMB, 5 minutes at room temp.
10. Stop reaction with 50µl/well 0.5M HCl.
11. Read plates at 450 nm wavelength.

The following peptides sequences were screened as described above:

QGWQAFKNDATEIIPGLREYPEPP(SEQ ID NO:82)

TEIIPGLREYPEPPQELENN (SEQ ID NO:83)

PEPPQELENNQTMNRAENGG (SEQ ID NO:84)

ENGGRPPHHPYDTKDVSEYS (SEQ ID NO:85)

CRELHYTRFVTDGP (SEQ ID NO:86)

CRELHYTRFVTDGPSRSAKPVTELV (SEQ ID NO:87)

CRSAKPVTELVSSGQSGPRARLL (SEQ ID NO:88)

CGPARLLPNAIGRVKWWRPNGPDFR (SEQ ID NO:89)

RAQRVQLLCPGGAAPRSRKV (SEQ ID NO:90)

PGGAAPRSRKVRLVAS (SEQ ID NO:91)

KRLTRFHNQSELKDFGPETARPQ (SEQ ID NO:92)

IPDRYAQRVQLLSPGG (SEQ ID NO:93)

SELKDFGPETARPQKGRKPRPRAR (SEQ ID NO:94)

KGRKPRPRARGAKANQAELENAY (SEQ ID NO:95)

PNAIGRVKWWRPNGPDFR (SEQ ID NO:96)

KWWRPNGPDFRCIPDRYRAQRV (SEQ ID NO:97).

A high-affinity neutralizing antibody (Ab-19) bound to two overlapping peptide sequences: PNAIGRVKWWRPNGPDFR (SEQ ID NO:96) and KWWRPNGPDFRCIPDRYRAQRV (SEQ ID NO:97).

This procedure allows the recognition of epitopes for antibodies that react with apparent linear epitopes. Peptides that contain all or part of the antibody binding site will bind antibody and thus be detected.

EXAMPLE 4

IDENTIFICATION OF HUMAN SCLEROSTIN EPITOPES

Sclerostin structure

Mature form (signal peptide removed) human sclerostin is a 190 amino acid protein (Figure 8). Figure 9 shows a schematic of the general structure of sclerostin with an N-terminal arm (from the N-terminal Q to Cysteine1) and a C-terminal arm (from Cysteine8 to the terminal Y). Sandwiched in between these two arms there is the cystine-knot structure and three loops which are designated Loop1, Loop2 and Loop 3. The four disulfide bonds in sclerostin are Cys1 at sequence position 57 linked to Cys5 at sequence position 111 (referred to as C1-C5), Cys2 at sequence position 71 linked to Cys6 at sequence position 125 (referred to as C2-C6), Cys3 at sequence position 82 linked to Cys7 at sequence position 142 (referred to as C3-C7), Cys4 at sequence position 86 linked to Cys8 at sequence position 144 (referred to as C4-C8). The eight-membered ring structure is formed via C3-C7 and C4-C8 disulfide bonding. This ring structure, together with the C1-C5 disulfide bond penetrating through the ring, forms a typical cystine-knot. C2-C6, which is not part of the cystine-knot, brings two large loop structures, loop 1 (residues 57 to 82) and loop 3 (residues 111 to 142) close together. Loop 2 goes from C4 (residue 86) to C5 (residue 111).

Experimental

The general approach for characterizing the epitopes bound by anti-sclerostin monoclonal antibodies involved fragmenting human Sclerostin into peptides with different proteases, determining the sequence of the various human sclerostin peptides, isolating these peptides and testing each of them for their ability to bind to a particular monoclonal antibody

using a Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay.". The resulting data permitted the location of the binding epitope to be determined.

The peptide digests were subjected to HPLC peptide mapping; the individual peaks were collected, and the peptides identified and mapped by matrix assisted laser desorption mass spectrometry (MALDI-MS) and electrospray ionization LC-MS (ESI-LC-MS) analyses and/or by N-terminal sequencing. All HPLC analyses for these studies were performed using a reverse-phase C8 column (2.1 mm i.d. x 15 cm length). HPLC peptide mapping was performed with a linear gradient from 0.05% trifloroacetic acid (mobile phase A) to 90% acetonitrile in 0.05% trifuoroacetic acid. Columns were developed over 50 minutes at a flow rate of 0.2 ml/min.

Trypsin and AspN Endoproteinase Digestions

Mature form human sclerostin was digested with trypsin, which cleaves after arginine and lysine, or with AspN. About 200 μg of sclerostin at 0.5-1.0 mg/ml was incubated in PBS (pH 7.2) for 20 hrs at 37°C with 8 μg of either trypsin or AspN.

Trypsin digestion

HPLC chromatography of the trypsin digests yielded several major peaks (Fig. 10A). Sequence analysis was conducted on the peptide peaks recovered from HPLC after trypsin digestion. On-line ESI LC-MS analysis of the peptide digest was also performed to determine the precise mass of the peptides that were separated by HPLC. The identity of the peptides present in the peptide peaks was thus determined (Fig. 11). Figure 13 shows the alignment of various peptide sequences (T19.2, T20, T20.6, T21-22) along the sclerostin sequence. The number following each T (*e.g.*, T19.2) reflects the retention time. T19.2 contains two peptides (one from loop 1 and one from loop 3) linked by the C2-C6 disulfide bond. T20 contains two peptides held together by the cystine-knot structure, with intact loops 1 and 3 held together by the C2-C6 disulfide and with most of loop 2 absent. T20.6 contains four sequences held together by the cystine-knot structure, but is missing part of loop 1 and 3 (the T19.2 part) and is missing most of loop 2. T21-22 is almost identical to T20 but has 3 additional amino acids in the loop 2 region.

AspN Digestion

HPLC chromatography of the AspN digests yielded several major peaks (Fig. 10B). Sequence analysis was conducted on the peptide peaks recovered from HPLC. On-

line ESI LC-MS analysis of the peptide digest was also performed to determine the precise mass of the peptides that were separated by HPLC. The identity of the peptides present in the peptide peaks from the AspN digestion was thus determined (Fig. 12). Figure 14 shows the alignment of various peptide sequences (AspN14.6, AspN18.6, AspN22.7-23.5) along the sclerostin sequence. The number following each AspN (*e.g.* AspN18.6) reflects the retention time. AspN14.6 contains three short peptides from both the N- and C-terminal arms of sclerostin, while AspN18.6 is a larger peptide from the N-terminal arm of sclerostin. AspN22.7-23.5 contains a single peptide fragment of 104 amino acids the encompasses all eight cysteines (the four disulfide bonds), the cystine-knot and all of loops 1, 2 and 3.

The strategy for characterizing the epitopes was to use these various trypsin and AspN generated human sclerostin peptides and determine which peptides could still be bound by the various Antibodies (Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C and Ab-D). Specifically this was tested in a Biacore-based "human sclerostin peptide epitope competition binding assay" where the binding of a particular monoclonal antibody to human sclerostin immobilized on the Biacore chip was determine in the presence or absence of each of the various isolated trypsin and AspN HPLC peptide fractions. In the absence of any competing peptides, the particular monoclonal antibody was able to bind the human sclerostin on the chip and produce a resonance unit, RU, response. Preincubation of the particular monoclonal antibody with intact human sclerostin in solution, followed by testing of binding to the chip, demonstrated that the binding of the Mab to human sclerostin in solution prevented the binding of the Mab to the human sclerostin on the chip, thus validating the general principal of this competition assay.

This general procedure was repeated individually for each peptide. A robust RU response was taken to indicate that the particular peptide being tested could not bind the Mab in solution (hence the Mab was free to bind the human sclerostin that had been immobilized on the chip). Conversely, the absence of a robust RU response indicated that the Mab was able to bind the sclerostin peptide in solution. These binding patterns, couple with the known identity of the various sclerostin peptides, were used to determine the epitopes of sclerostin that were bound by anti-sclerostin antibodies Ab-A, Ab-B, Ab-C and Ab-D.

BIACORE-BASED HUMAN SCLEROSTIN PEPTIDE EPITOPE COMPETITION BINDING ASSAY

Preparation of human sclerostin surface:

Immobilization of mature form human sclerostin to a BIAcore sensor chip (CM5) surface was performed according to manufacturer's instructions. Briefly, carboxyl groups on the

sensor chip surfaces were activated by injecting 60 µL of a mixture containing 0.2 M N-ethyl-N'-(dimethylaminopropyl) carbodiimide (EDC) and 0.05 M N-hydroxysuccinimide (NHS). Human sclerostin was diluted in 10 mM sodium acetate, pH 4.0 at a concentration of 20 µg/mL followed by injecting over the activated CM5 surface. Excess reactive groups on the surfaces were deactivated by injecting 60 µL of 1 M ethanolamine. Final immobilized levels were ~ 5000 resonance units (RU) for the human sclerostin surface. A blank, mock-coupled reference surface was also prepared on the sensor chips.

Binding specificity analysis:

1X Phosphate-buffered saline without calcium chloride or magnesium chloride was from Gibco/Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA. Bovine serum albumin, fraction V, IgG-free was from Sigma-Aldrich, St. Louis, MO. Each Mab (2 nM) was separately incubated with 20 nM human sclerostin or a particular human sclerostin peptide (note: there are 3 unlinked peptides in AspN14.6) in sample buffer (1X PBS + 0.005% P-20 + 0.1 mg/mL BSA) before injection over the immobilized human sclerostin surface. The flow rate for sample injection was 5 µL/min followed by surface regeneration using 1 M NaCl in 8 mM Glycine, pH 2.0 at 30 µL/min for 30 seconds. The data was analyzed using BIAevaluation 3.2, and is presented in Figure 15 (Ab-A), Figure 16 (Ab-B), Figure 17 (Ab-C) and Figure 18 (Ab-D).

Loop 2 and T20.6 epitopes:

The sclerostin peptide binding pattern for two representative antibodies (Ab-A and Ab-B) were virtually identical (Fig. 15 and Fig. 16) and showed that both of these Antibodies could only bind the AspN22.7-23.5 peptide. The unique difference between AspN22.7-23.5 and all the other sclerostin peptides is that AspN22.7-23.5 contains an intact loop 2. This shows that Ab-A and Ab-B bind the loop 2 region of sclerostin thus defining the loop 2 epitope (Fig. 19A). The sclerostin peptide binding pattern for Ab-C and Ab-D were virtually identical to each other (Fig. 17 and Fig. 18) but completely distinct from that found for Ab-A and Ab-B. Of the peptides tested in this Example, the most diminutive peptide that Ab-C and Ab-D could bind to was the T20.6 peptide. This result defines the T20.6 epitope (Fig. 19B).

Protease protection assay:

The general principle of this assay is that binding of a Mab to sclerostin can result in protection of certain specific protease cleavage sites and this information can be used to determine the region of sclerostin to where the Mab binds.

"T20.6 derivative 1 (cystine-knot + 4 arms)" epitope:

Figure 20 shows the HPLC peptide maps for a human sclerostin Ab-D complex (Fig 20A: human sclerostin was preincubated at a 1:1 molar ratio with Ab-D prior to digestion with trypsin as described above) and human sclerostin alone (Fig 20B: human sclerostin was digested with trypsin as described above). The peptide peaks of T19.2 and T20.6 in Figure 20A showed a clear reduction in their respective peak height, as compared to Figure 20B. This reduction in peak heights was accompanied by an increase in peak height for peptides T20 and T21-22. These data indicate that basic amino acid residues in loop 1 and loop 3, which in the absence of Ab-D were cleaved by trypsin to generate peptides T19.2 and T20.6, were resistant to cleavage by trypsin when Ab-D was prebound to sclerostin. The presence of T20, T20.6 and T21-22 indicates that loop 2 was still cleaved efficiently when Ab-D was prebound to sclerostin. These data indicate that Ab-D bound on the loop 1 and loop 3 side of the T20.6 epitope thus defining the smaller "T20.6 derivative 1 (cystine-knot + 4 arms)" epitope shown in Figure 21.

EXAMPLE 5

IN VIVO TESTING OF ANTI-SCLEROSTIN MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES IN MICE

Four week-old BDF1 male mice were obtained from Charles River Laboratories (Raleigh, NC) and housed in clean caging, five animals per cage. Room temperature was maintained between 68 and 72°F, and relative humidity was maintained between 34 and 73%. The laboratory housing the cages had a 12-hour light/dark cycle and met all AAALAC specifications. Clinical observations of all mice on study occurred once daily.

Purified anti-sclerostin monoclonal antibodies (Ab-A Fig.1; Ab-B Fig.2; Ab-C Fig.3; Ab-D Fig.4) were diluted in sterile Dulbecco's phosphate buffered saline. Mice were injected with anti-sclerostin Antibodies or PBS vehicle subcutaneously at 21 µl per gram body weight, two times per week (Monday and Thursday) at 25 mg/kg. Human PTH (1-34) was diluted in PTH buffer (0.001 N HCl, 0.15 M NaCl, 2% BSA), and dosed subcutaneously at 21 µl per gram body weight five times per week (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) at 100 µg/kg as a positive control (Figures 5 and 6). Number of mice per group was N=5 in Fig 5 and 6, and N=6 in Figure 7.

PIXImus *in vivo* Bone Densitometry

Bone mineral density (BMD) was determined weekly at the proximal tibial metaphysis and lumbar vertebrae by peripheral Dual Energy X-ray Absorptometry (pDEXA) with the PIXImus2 system from GE/Lunar Medical Systems, Madison, WI. A 25mm^2 region of interest (ROI) was placed to include the proximal articular surface, the epiphysis, and the proximal end on the metaphysis of the tibia. A region of interest (ROI) was placed to include the lumbar vertebrae (L1-L5). The proximal tibia and lumbar regions were analyzed to determine total bone mineral density. Group means were reported ± Standard Deviation and compared to the vehicle treatment group for statistical analysis.

Statistical analysis

Statistical analysis was performed with a Dunnett's and Tukey-Kramer (using MS Excel and JMP v. 5.0. for the BMD data). Group means for each data set were considered significantly different when the *P* value was less than 0.05 ($P < 0.05$).

Sclerostin neutralizing activity of antibodies

The statistically significant increases in BMD as compared to vehicle seen for each of Ab-A (Figure 5), Ab-B (Figure 5), Ab-C (Figure 6) and Ab-D (Figure 7) demonstrates that these four antibodies are sclerostin neutralizing antibodies. Furthermore this data shows that, for anti-sclerostin antibodies that bind mouse sclerostin, treatment and analysis of mice as described above can be used to identify sclerostin neutralizing antibodies.

EXAMPLE 6

SCREENING ASSAY FOR ANTIBODIES THAT BLOCK BINDING OF AN ANTIBODY TO HUMAN SCLEROSTIN

Human sclerostin was coupled to a CM5 Biacore chip using standard amine coupling chemistry to generate a sclerostin coated surface. 300 resonance units of sclerostin were coupled to the surface.

The antibodies to be tested were diluted to a concentration of 200ug/ml in HBS-EP buffer (being 10 mM HEPES pH 7.4, 150 mM NaCl, 3 mM EDTA, 0.005% (v/v) Surfactant P20) and then mixed in a one to one molar ratio (on a binding site basis) to generate the test mixture. This test mixture thus contained each antibody at a concentration of 100ug/ml (1.3um on a binding site basis). Separate solutions containing each of the antibodies in the test mix alone were also prepared. These solutions contained the individual antibodies in HBS-EP buffer at a concentration of 100ug/ml (1.3um on a binding site basis).

20 µL of the test mixture was passed over the sclerostin-coated chip at a flow rate of 10 µL/min and the amount of binding recorded. The chip was then treated with two 60 second pulses of 30 mM HCl to remove all of the bound antibody. A solution containing only one of the antibodies of the test mixture (at 1.3µM in the same buffer as the test mixture on a binding site basis) was then passed over the chip in the same manner as the test mixture and the amount of binding recorded. The chip was again treated to remove all of the bound antibody and finally a solution containing the other antibody from the test mixture alone (at 1.3µM in the same buffer as the test mixture on a binding site basis) was passed over the chip and the amount of binding recorded.

The table below show the results from cross-blocking assays on a range of different antibodies. The values in each square of the table represent the amount of binding (in RU) seen when the antibodies (at 1.3µM on a binding site basis) or buffer indicated in the top row of the table were mixed with the antibodies (at 1.3uM on a binding site basis) or buffer indicated in the first column of the table.

	Buffer	**Ab-4**	**Ab-13**	**Ab-A**	**Ab-3**	**Ab-19**
Buffer	-0.5	693	428.5	707.3	316.1	649.9
Ab-4	687.7	795.1	1018.2	860.5	869.3	822.5
Ab-13	425.6	1011.3	442.7	1108.4	431.9	1042.4
Ab-A	692.4	833.1	1080.4	738.5	946.2	868.1
Ab-3	305.5	845.1	428.2	952.2	344.4	895.7
Ab-19	618.1	788.6	1022.5	863.3	891.5	658.7

Using the mean binding value (in RU) for each combination of antibodies in the above table (since each combination appears twice) it is possible to calculate the percentage of the theoretical binding shown by each combination of antibodies. The theoretical binding being calculated as the sum of the average values for the components of each test mixture when assayed alone (*i.e.*, antibody and buffer).

	Buffer	**Ab-4**	**Ab-13**	**Ab-A**	**Ab-3**	**Ab-19**
Buffer						
Ab-4			90.75	60.45	85.4	60.75
Ab-13				96.9	58.0	97.0
Ab-A					93.5	65.0
Ab-3						94.4
Ab-19						

From the above data it is clear that Ab-4, Ab-A and Ab-19 cross-block each

other. Similarly Ab-13 and Ab-3 cross block each other.

EXAMPLE 7

ELISA-BASED CROSS-BLOCKING ASSAY

Liquid volumes used in this example would be those typically used in 96-well plate ELISAs (*e.g.* 50-200 µl/well). Ab-X and Ab-Y, in this example are assumed to have molecular weights of about 145 Kd and to have 2 sclerostin binding sites per antibody molecule. An anti-sclerostin antibody (Ab-X) is coated (*e.g.* 50µ of 1 µg/ml) onto a 96-well ELISA plate [*e.g.* Corning 96 Well EIA/RIA Flat Bottom Microplate (Product # 3590), Corning Inc., Acton, MA] for at least one hour. After this coating step the antibody solution is removed, the plate is washed once or twice with wash solution (*e.g.*, PBS and 0.05% Tween 20) and is then blocked using an appropriate blocking solution (*e.g.*, PBS, 1% BSA, 1% goat serum and 0.5% Tween 20) and procedures known in the art. Blocking solution is then removed from the ELISA plate and a second anti-sclerostin antibody (Ab-Y), which is being tested for it's ability to cross-block the coated antibody, is added in excess (*e.g.* 50µl of 10µg/ml) in blocking solution to the appropriate wells of the ELISA plate. Following this, a limited amount (*e.g.* 50µl of 10 ng/ml) of sclerostin in blocking solution is then added to the appropriate wells and the plate is incubated for at least one hour at room temperature while shaking. The plate is then washed 2-4 times with wash solution. An appropriate amount of a sclerostin detection reagent [*e.g.*, biotinylated anti-sclerostin polyclonal antibody that has been pre-complexed with an appropriate amount of a streptavidin-horseradish peroxidase (HRP) conjugate] in blocking solution is added to the ELISA plate and incubated for at least one hour at room temperature. The plate is then washed at least 4 times with wash solution and is developed with an appropriate reagent [*e.g.* HRP substrates such as TMB (colorimetric) or various HRP luminescent substrates]. The background signal for the assay is defined as the signal obtained in wells with the coated antibody (in this case Ab-X), second solution phase antibody (in this case Ab-Y), sclerostin buffer only (*i.e.* no sclerostin) and sclerostin detection reagents. The positive control signal for the assay is defined as the signal obtained in wells with the coated antibody (in this case Ab-X), second solution phase antibody buffer only (*i.e.* no second solution phase antibody), sclerostin and sclerostin detection reagents. The ELISA assay needs to be run in such a manner so as to have the positive control signal be at least 6 times the background signal.

To avoid any artifacts (*e.g.* significantly different affinities between Ab-X and Ab-Y for sclerostin) resulting from the choice of which antibody to use as the coating antibody and which to use as the second (competitor) antibody, the cross-blocking assay needs to be run

in two formats:

1) format 1 is where Ab-X is the antibody that is coated onto the ELISA plate and Ab-Y is the competitor antibody that is in solution

and

2) format 2 is where Ab-Y is the antibody that is coated onto the ELISA plate and Ab-X is the competitor antibody that is in solution.

Ab-X and Ab-Y are defined as cross-blocking if, either in format 1 or in format 2, the solution phase anti-sclerostin antibody is able to cause a reduction of between 60% and 100%, specifically between 70% and 100%, and more specifically between 80% and 100%, of the sclerostin detection signal (*i.e.* the amount of sclerostin bound by the coated antibody) as compared to the sclerostin detection signal obtained in the absence of the solution phase anti-sclerostin antibody (*i.e.* the positive control wells).

In the event that a tagged version of sclerostin is used in the ELISA, such as a N-terminal His-tagged Sclerostin (R&D Systems, Minneapolis, MN, USA; 2005 cat# 1406-ST-025) then an appropriate type of sclerostin detection reagent would include an HRP labeled anti-His antibody. In addition to using N-terminal His-tagged Sclerostin, one could also use C-terminal His-tagged Sclerostin. Furthermore, various other tags and tag binding protein combinations that are known in the art could be used in this ELISA-based cross-blocking assay (*e.g.*, HA tag with anti-HA antibodies; FLAG tag with anti-FLAG antibodies; biotin tag with streptavidin).

EXAMPLE 8

CELL BASED MINERALIZATION ASSAY FOR IDENTIFYING AGENTS ABLE TO ANTAGONIZE SCLEROSTIN ACTIVITY

Introduction

Mineralization by osteoblast-lineage cells in culture, either primary cells or cell lines, is used as an *in vitro* model of bone formation. Mineralization takes from about one to six weeks to occur beginning with the induction of osteoblast-lineage cell differentiation by one or more differentiation agents. The overall sequence of events involves cell proliferation, differentiation, extracellular matrix production, matrix maturation and finally deposition of mineral, which refers to crystallization and/or deposition of calcium phosphate. This sequence of events starting with cell proliferation and differentiation, and ending with deposition of mineral is referred to herein as mineralization. Measurement of calcium (mineral) is the output of the assay.

Deposition of mineral has a strong biophysical characteristic, in that once mineral "seeds" begin to form, the total amount of mineral that will be deposited in the entire culture can sometimes be deposited quite rapidly, such as within a few days thereafter. The timing and extent of mineral deposition in culture is influenced, in part, by the particular osteoblast-lineage cells/cell-line being used, the growth conditions, the choice of differentiation agents and the particular lot number of serum used in the cell culture media. For osteoblast-lineage cell/cell-line mineralization cultures, at least eight to fifteen serum lots from more than one supplier should be tested in order to identify a particular serum lot that allows for mineralization to take place.

MC3T3-E1 cells (Sudo H *et al.*, *In vitro differentiation and calcification in a new clonal osteogenic cell line derived from newborn mouse calvaria.* J. Cell Biol. 96:191-198) and subclones of the original cell line can form mineral in culture upon growth in the presence of differentiating agents. Such subclones include MC3T3-E1-BF (Smith E, Redman R, Logg C, Coetzee G, Kasahara N, Frenkel B. 2000. *Glucocorticoids inhibit developmental stage-specific osteoblast cell cycle.* J Biol Chem 275:19992-20001).

Identification of Sclerostin Neutralizing Antibodies

MC3T3-E1-BF cells were used for the mineralization assay. Ascorbic acid and B-glycerophosphate were used to induce MC3T3-E1-BF cell differentiation leading to mineral deposition. The specific screening protocol, in 96-well format, involved plating cells on a Wednesday, followed by seven media changes (as described further below) over a 12-day period with most of the mineral deposition taking place in the final approximately eighteen hours (*e.g.* Sunday night through Monday). For any given treatment, 3 wells were used (N=3). The specific timing, and extent, of mineral deposition may vary depending, in part, on the particular serum lot number being used. Control experiments will allow such variables to be accounted for, as is well know in the art of cell culture experimentation generally.

In this assay system sclerostin inhibited one or more of the sequence of events leading up to and including mineral deposition (*i.e.*, sclerostin inhibited mineralization). Anti-sclerostin antibodies that were able to neutralize sclerostin's inhibitory activity allowed for mineralization of the culture in the presence of sclerostin such that there was a statistically significant increase in deposition of calcium phosphate (measured as calcium) as compared to the amount of calcium measured in the sclerostin-only (*i.e.*, no antibody) treatment group. For statistical analysis (using MS Excel and JMP) a 1-way-ANOVA followed by Dunnett's comparison was used to determine differences between groups. Group means for each data set

were considered significantly different when the P value was less than 0.05 ($P < 0.05$). A representative result from running this assay is shown in Figure 22. In the absence of recombinant mouse sclerostin, the sequence of events leading up to and including mineral deposition proceeded normally. Calcium levels in each treatment group are shown as means ± Standard Error of the Mean (SEM). In this exemplary experiment calcium levels from the calcium assay were ~31 µg/ml. However, addition of recombinant mouse sclerostin caused inhibition of mineralization, and calcium was reduced by ~ 85%. Addition of anti-sclerostin monoclonal antibody Ab-19 or Ab-4 along with the recombinant sclerostin resulted in a statistically significant increase in mineral deposition, as compared to the sclerostin-only group, because the inhibitory activity of sclerostin was neutralized by either antibody. The results from this experiment indicate that Ab-19 and Ab-4 are sclerostin neutralizing monoclonal antibodies (Mabs).

Figure 23 shows a very similar result using recombinant human sclerostin and two humanized anti-sclerostin Mabs. Figure 24 also shows a very similar result using recombinant human sclerostin and mouse and humanized anti-sclerostin Mabs as indicated.

The antibodies used for the experiments shown in Fig 22, 23 and 24 have molecular weights of about 145 Kd and have 2 sclerostin binding sites per antibody molecule.

A detailed MC3T3-E1-BF cell culture protocol is described below.

Reagents and Medias

Reagents	**Company**	**Catalog #**
Alpha-MEM	Gibco-Invitrogen	12571-048
Ascorbic acid	Sigma	A4544
Beta-glycerophosphate	Sigma	G6376
100X PenStrepGlutamine	Gibco-Invitrogen	10378-016
Dimethylsulphoxide (DMSO)	Sigma	D5879 or D2650
Fetal bovine serum (FBS)	Cansera	CS-C08-500 (lot # SF50310)
or Fetal bovine serum (FBS)	TerraCell Int.	CS-C08-1000A (lot # SF-20308)

Alpha-MEM is usually manufactured with a 1 year expiration date. Alpha-MEM that was not older than 6-months post-manufacture date was used for the cell culture.

Expansion Medium (Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu) was prepared as follows:

A 500 ml bottle of FBS was thawed and filter sterilized through a 0.22 micron filter. 100 mls of this FBS was added to 1 liter of Alpha-MEM followed by the addition of 10 mls of 100x PenStrepGlutamine. Unused FBS was aliquoted and refrozen for later use.

Differentiation Medium (Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu, + 50 μg/ml ascorbic acid, + 10 mM beta-glycerophosphate) was prepared as follows:
100 mls of Differentiation Medium was prepared by supplementing 100 mls of Expansion Medium with ascorbic acid and beta-glycerophosphate as follows:

	Stock conc (see below)	Volume	Final Conc.
Ascorbic acid	10 mg/ml	0.5 mls	100 μg/ml (50ug/ml + 50μg/ml)
β-glycerophosphate	1 M	1.0 mls	10 mM

Differentiation Medium was made by supplementing Expansion Medium only on the day that the Differentiation media was going to be used for cell culture. The final concentration of ascorbic acid in Differentiation medium is 100 μg/ml because Alpha-MEM already contains 50 μg/ml ascorbic acid. Ascorbic acid stock solution (10 mg/ml) was made and aliquoted for freezing at -80°C. Each aliquot was only used once (*i.e.* not refrozen). Beta-glycerophosphate stock solution (1 M) was made and aliquoted for freezing at -20°C. Each aliquot was frozen and thawed a maximum of 5 times before being discarded.

Cell Culture for expansion of MC3T3-E1-BF cells.

Cell culture was performed at 37°C and 5% CO_2. A cell bank was generated for the purposes of screening for sclerostin neutralizing antibodies. The cell bank was created as follows:

One vial of frozen MC3T3-E1-BF cells was thawed by agitation in a 37°C water bath. The thawed cells were put into 10 mls of Expansion Medium (Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu) in a 50 ml tube and gently spun down for 5 minutes. The cells were then resuspended in 4 mls of Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu. After determining the number of cells using trypan blue and hemacytometer, 1 x 10^6 cells were plated in 50 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu media in one T175 flask.

When this passage was confluent (at approximately 7 days), the cells were

trypsinized with trypsin/EDTA (0.05% Trypsin; 0.53 mM EDTA), gently spun down for 5 minutes and then resuspended in 5 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu. After determining the number of cells using trypan blue and hemacytometer, cells were plated at 1 x 10^6 cells in 50 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu media per one T175 flask. The number of T175 flasks used for plating at this point depended upon the total cell number available and the desired number of flasks that were to be taken forward to the next passage. Extra cells were frozen down at 1-2x10^6 live cells/ml in 90%FBS/10%DMSO.

When this passage was confluent (about 3-4 days), the cells were trypsinized with trypsin/EDTA (0.05% Trypsin; 0.53 mM EDTA), gently spun down for 5 minutes and then resuspended in 5 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu. After determining the number of cells using trypan blue and hemacytometer, cells were plated at 1 x 10^6 cells in 50 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu media per one T175 flask. The number of T175 flasks used for plating at this point depended upon the total cell number available and the desired number of flasks that were to be taken forward to the next passage. Extra cells were frozen down at 1-2x10^6 live cells/ml in 90%FBS/10%DMSO.

When this passage was confluent (about 3-4 days), the cells were trypsinized with trypsin/EDTA (0.05% Trypsin; 0.53 mM EDTA), gently spun down for 5 minutes and then resuspended in 5 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu. After determining the number of cells using trypan blue and hemacytometer, cells were plated at 1 x 10^6 cells in 50 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu media per one T175 flask. The number of T175 flasks used for plating at this point depended upon the total cell number available and the desired number of flasks that were to be taken forward to the next passage. Extra cells were frozen down at 1-2x10^6 live cells/ml in 90%FBS/10%DMSO.

When this passage was confluent (about 3-4 days), the cells were trypsinized with trypsin/EDTA (0.05% Trypsin; 0.53 mM EDTA), gently spun down for 5 minutes and then resuspended in 5 mls Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu. After determining the number of cells using trypan blue and hemacytometer, the cells were frozen down at 1-2x10^6 live cells/ml in 90%FBS/10%DMSO. This "final passage" of frozen cells was the passage that was used for the screening assay.

Cell Culture for mineralizing MC3T3-E1-BF cells.

Cell culture was performed at 37°C and 5% CO_2. It is desirable to minimize temperature and % CO_2 fluctuations during the mineralization cell culture procedure. This can

be achieved by minimizing the time that plates spend out of the incubator during feeding and also by minimizing the number of times the incubator door is opened and closed during the mineralization cell culture procedure. In this regard having a tissue culture incubator that is dedicated exclusively for the mineralization cell culture (and thus not opened and closed more than is necessary) can be helpful.

An appropriate number of "final passage" vials prepared as described above were thawed by agitation in a 37°C water bath. The thawed cells were put into 10 mls of Expansion Medium (Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu) in a 50 ml tube and gently spun down for 5 minutes. The cells were then resuspended in 4 mls of Alpha-MEM/10%FBS/PenStrepGlu. After determining the number of cells by trypan blue and hemacytometer, 2500 cells were plated in 200 microliters of Expansion media per well on collagen I coated 96-well plates (Becton Dickinson Labware, cat # 354407).

To avoid a mineralization plate-edge effect, cells were not plated in the outermost row/column all the way around the plate. Instead 200 microliters of PBS was added to these wells.

Exemplary cell culture procedure

In the following procedure, the starting day for plating the cells is indicated to be a Wednesday. If a different day of the week is used as the starting day for plating the cells, that day will trigger the daily schedule for removing and adding media during the entire process as indicated below. For example, if the cells are plated on a Tuesday, media should not be removed and added on the first Friday and Saturday, nor on the second Friday and Saturday. With a Tuesday start, the plates would be prepared for the calcium assay on the final Sunday.

Cells were plated on a Wednesday at 2500 cells in 200 µl of Expansion media.
On Thursday all of the Expansion media was removed and 200 µl of Differentiation Media was added.
On Friday 100 µl of media was removed and 100 µl of fresh Differentiation Media was added.
On Monday 100 µl of media was removed and 100 µl of fresh Differentiation Media was added.
On Tuesday 100 µl of media was removed and 100 µl of fresh Differentiation Media was added.
On Wednesday 100 µl of media was removed and 100 µl of fresh Differentiation Media was added.
On Thursday 100 µl of media was removed and 100 µl of fresh Differentiation Media was added.

On Friday 100 µl of media was removed and 100 µl of fresh Differentiation Media was added. On the following Monday plates were prepared for the calcium assay as follows:

Plates were washed once with 10 mM Tris, HCl pH 7-8.

Working under a fume hood, 200 µl of 0.5 N HCl was added per well. Plates were then frozen at -80°C.

Just prior to measuring calcium, the plates were freeze-thawed twice, and then trituration with a multichannel pipette was used to disperse the contents of the plate. The contents of the plate was then allowed to settle at 4°C for 30 minutes at which point an appropriate amount of supernatant was removed for measuring calcium using a commercially available calcium kit. An exemplary and not-limiting kit is Calcium (CPC) Liquicolor, Cat. No. 0150-250, Stanbio Laboratory, Boerne, TX.

In this cell based assay, sclerostin inhibits one or more of the sequence of events leading up to and including mineral deposition (*i.e.* sclerostin inhibits mineralization). Thus, in experiments where sclerostin was included in the particular cell culture experiment, the recombinant sclerostin was added to the media starting on the first Thursday and every feeding day thereafter. In cases where an anti-sclerostin monoclonal antibody (Mab) was being tested for the ability to neutralize sclerostin, *i.e.* allow for mineralization by neutralizing sclerostin's ability to inhibit mineralization, the Mab was added to the media starting on the first Thursday and every feeding day thereafter. According to the protocol, this was accomplished as follows: the Mab was preincubated with the recombinant sclerostin in Differentiation media for 45-60 minutes at 37°C and then this media was used for feeding the cells.

Described above is a 12-day mineralization protocol for MC3T3-E1-BF cells. Using the same reagents and feeding protocol, the original MC3T3-E1 cells (Sudo H, Kodama H-A, Amagai Y, Yamamoto S, Kasai S. 1983. *In vitro differentiation and calcification in a new clonal osteogenic cell line derived from newborn mouse calvaria.* J Cell Biol 96:191-198) which we obtained from the RIKEN Cell Bank (RCB 1126, RIKEN BioResource Center 3-1-1 Koyadai,Tsukuba-shi, Ibaraki 305-0074 Japan) took longer to mineralize (20 days total for mineralization) than the MC3T3-E1-BF cells. Mineralization of the original MC3T3-E1 cells was inhibited by recombinant sclerostin and this inhibition was blocked using a sclerostin neutralizing antibody.

EXAMPLE 9

ANTI-SCLEROSTIN ANTIBODY PROTECTS FROM INFLAMMATION-INDUCED BONE LOSS IN THE CD4

Summary of model

Injection of the CD45RB^{high} subset of CD4+ T cells into C.B-17 *scid* mice results in chronic intestinal inflammation with characteristics similar to those of human inflammatory bowel disease (IBD). Diarrhoea and wasting disease is noted 3-5 weeks after cell transfer with severe leukocyte infiltration into the colon accompanied by epithelial cell hyperplasia and granuloma formation. C.B-17 *scid* mice which receive the reciprocal subset of CD4+ cells, those which express CD45RB^{low}, do not exhibit colitis and have a weight gain indistinguishable from uninjected *scid* mice. In addition to colitis symptoms, the CD4+ CD45RB^{high} T cell transfer model of colitis is accompanied by a reduction in bone mineral density (BMD), thought to be primarily through inflammatory mechanisms rather than dietary malabsorption (Byrne, F. R. *et al.*, *Gut* 54:78-86, 2005).

Induction of colitis and inflammation-induced bone loss

Spleens were taken from female balb/c mice and disrupted through a 70μm cell strainer. The CD4+ population was then enriched by negative selection with Dynabeads using antibodies against B220, MAC-1, CD8 and I-A^{d}. The enriched population was then stained with FITC conjugated anti-CD4 and PE conjugated anti-CD45RB and fractionated into CD4+CD45RB^{high} and CD4+CD45RB^{low} populations by two-color sorting on a Moflo (Dakocytomation). The CD45RB^{high} and CD45RB^{low} populations were defined as the brightest staining 40% and the dullest staining 20% of CD4+ cells respectively. 5 x 10^5 cells were then injected i.p. into C.B-17 *scid* mice on day 0 and the development of colitis was monitored through the appearance of soft stools or diarrhoea and weight loss. Bone mineral density measurements were taken at the termination of the study (day 88).

Effect of anti-Sclerostin treatment on colitis symptoms and BMD

Ab-A IgG was dosed at 10mg/kg s.c. from the day prior to CD4+CD45RB^{high} cell transfer and compared with mice which received the negative control antibody 101.4 also dosed at 10mg/kg s.c.. The antibodies were dosed weekly thereafter. A group of mice which received non-pathogenic CD4+CD45RB^{low} cells and were dosed with 10mg/kg 101.4 was studied as a control. At the termination of the study (day 88) the bone mineral density was measured and

sections of the colon taken for analysis of cell infiltration and assessment of histological damage.

a) No effect on colitis symptoms

Typical colitis symptoms such as weight loss and infiltration of inflammatory cells into the colon were unaffected by treatment with Ab-A. Similarly there was no improvement of histological damage to the colon after treatment with Ab-A.

b) Inhibition of inflammation-induced loss of bone mineral density.

On day 88 after transfer of cells into C.B-17 *scid* mice, the bone mineral density was measured (total BMD, vertebrae BMD and femur BMD). In comparison to control mice which received CD4+CD45RB^{low} non-pathogenic cells, mice which received CD4+ CD45RB^{high} T cells and the negative control antibody 101.4 had reduced bone mineral density, as shown in Figure 25. In contrast, no reduction in BMD was noted after treatment with Ab-A. Total, vertebrae and femur measurements of BMD were significantly higher in mice receiving CD4+ CD45RB^{high} T cells and treated with Ab-A than mice receiving CD4+ CD45RB^{high} T cells and treated with 101.4 ($P<0.001$ by Bonferroni multiple comparison test).

EXAMPLE 10

KINEXA-BASED DETERMINATION OF AFFINITY (K_D) OF ANTI-SCLEROSTIN ANTIBODIES FOR HUMAN SCLEROSTIN

The affinity of several anti-sclerostin antibodies to human sclerostin was assessed by a solutio equilibrium binding analysis using KinExA® 3000 (Sapidyne Instruments Inc., Boise, ID). For these measurements, Reacti-Gel 6x beads (Pierce, Rockford, IL) were pre-coated with 40 µg/ml human sclerostin in 50 mM Na2CO3, pH 9.6 at 4°C overnight. The beads were then blocked with 1 mg/ml BSA in 1 M Tris-HCl, pH 7.5 at 4°C for two hours. 10 pM, 30 pM, or 100 pM of the antibody was mixed with various concentrations of human sclerostin, ranging in concentration from 0.1 pM to 1 nM and equilibrated at room temperature for over 8 hours in PBS with 0.1 mg/ml BSA and 0.005% P20. The mixtures were then passed over the human sclerostin coated beads. The amount of bead-bound anti-sclerostin antibody was quantified using fluorescent Cy5-labeled goat anti-mouse-IgG or fluorescent Cy5-labeled goat anti-human-IgG antibodies (Jackson Immuno Research, West Grove, PA for the mouse or human antibody samples, respectively. The amount of fluorescent signal measured was proportional to the concentration of free anti-sclerostin antibody in each reaction mixture at

equilibrium. The dissociation equilibrium constant (K_D) was obtained from nonlinear regression of th competition curves using a n-curve one-site homogeneous binding model provided in the KinExA Pro software. Results of the KinExA assays for the selected antibodies are summarized in the table below.

Antibodies	Antigen	K_D (pM)	95% confidence interval
Ab-13	Human Sclerostin	0.6	0.4 ~ 0.8 pM
Ab-4	Human Sclerostin	3	1.8 ~ 4 pM
Ab-19	Human Sclerostin	3	1.7 ~ 4 pM
Ab-14	Human Sclerostin	1	0.5 ~ 2 pM
Ab-5	Human Sclerostin	6	4.3 ~ 8 pM
Ab-23	Human Sclerostin	4	2.1 ~ 8 pM

EXAMPLE 11

BIACORE METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE AFFINITY OF HUMANISED ANTI-SCLEROSTIN ANTIBODIES FOR HUMAN SCLEROSTIN.

The BIAcore technology monitors the binding between biomolecules in real time and without the requirement for labelling. One of the interactants, termed the ligand, is either immobilised directly or captured on the immobilised surface while the other, termed the analyte, flows in solution over the captured surface. The sensor detects the change in mass on the sensor surface as the analyte binds to the ligand to form a complex on the surface. This corresponds to the association process. The dissociation process is monitored when the analyte is replaced by buffer. In the affinity BIAcore assay, the ligand is the anti-sclerostin antibody and the analyte is sclerostin.

Instrument

Biacore ® 3000, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden

Sensor chip

CM5 (research grade) Catalogue Number: BR-1001-14, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden. Chips were stored at 4 °C.

BIAnormalising solution

70% (w/w) Glycerol. Part of BIAmaintenance Kit Catalogue Number: BR-1002-51, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden. The BIAmaintenance kit was stored at 4 °C.

Amine Coupling Kit

Catalogue Number: BR-1000-50, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden.

Ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl) carbodiimide hydrochloride (EDC). Made up to 75 mg/mL in distilled water and stored in 200 µL aliquots at –70 °C.

N-Hydroxysuccinimide (NHS). Made up to 11.5 mg/mL in distilled water and stored in 200 µL aliquots at –70 °C.

1 M Ethanolamine hydrochloride-NaOH pH 8.5. Stored in 200 µL aliquots at –70 °C.

Buffers

Running buffer for immobilising capture antibody: HBS-EP (being 0.01 M HEPES pH 7.4, 0.15 M NaCl, 3 mM EDTA, 0.005 % Surfactant P20). Catalogue Number: BR-1001-88, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden. Buffer stored at 4 °C.

Immobilisation buffer: Acetate 5.0 (being 10 mM sodium acetate pH 5.0). Catalogue number: BR-1003-51, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden. Buffer stored at 4 °C.

Running buffer for binding assay: HBS-EP (being 0.01 M HEPES pH 7.4, 0.15 M NaCl, 3 mM EDTA, 0.005 % Surfactant P20, Catalogue Number: BR-1001-88, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden) with CM-Dextran added at 1 mg/mL (Catalogue Number 27560, Fluka BioChemika, Buchs, Switzerland). Buffer stored at 4 °C.

Ligand capture

Affinipure $F(ab')_2$ fragment goat anti-human IgG, Fc fragment specific. Jackson ImmunoResearch Inc (Pennsylvania, USA) Catalogue number: 109-006-098. Reagent stored at 4 °C.

Ligand

Humanised anti-human sclerostin antibodies Ab5, Ab14 and Ab20.

Analyte

Recombinant human sclerostin. Aliquots stored at -70°C and thawed once for each assay.

Regeneration Solution

40 mM HCl prepared by dilution with distilled water from an 11.6 M stock solution (BDH, Poole, England. Catalogue number: 101254H).

5 mM NaOH prepared by dilution with distilled water from a 50 mM stock solution. Catalogue number: BR-1003-58, Biacore AB, Uppsala, Sweden.

Assay Method

The assay format was capture of the anti-sclerostin antibody by immobilised anti-human IgG-Fc then titration of the sclerostin over the captured surface.

An example of the procedure is given below:

BIA (Biamolecular Interaction Analysis) was performed using a BIAcore 3000 (BIAcore AB). Affinipure F(ab')$_2$ Fragment goat anti-human IgG, Fc fragment specific (Jackson ImmunoResearch) was immobilised on a CM5 Sensor Chip via amine coupling chemistry to a capture level of ≈4000 response units (RUs). HBS-EP buffer (10mM HEPES pH 7.4, 0.15 M NaCl, 3 mM EDTA, 0.005 % Surfactant P20, BIAcore AB) containing 1 mg/mL CM-Dextran was used as the running buffer with a flow rate of 10 µl/min. A 10 µl injection of the anti-sclerostin antibody at ~5 µg/mL was used for capture by the immobilised anti-human IgG-Fc. Antibody capture levels were typically 100-200 RU. Sclerostin was titrated over the captured anti-sclerostin antibody at various concentrations at a flow rate of 30 µL/min. The surface was regenerated by two 10 µL injections of 40 mM HCl, followed by a 5 µL injection of 5 mM NaOH at a flowrate of 10µL/min.

Background subtraction binding curves were analysed using the BIAevaluation software (version 3.2) following standard procedures. Kinetic parameters were determined from the fitting algorithm.

The kinetic data and calculated dissociation constants are given in Table 2.

TABLE 2: Affinity of anti-sclerostin antibodies for sclerostin

Antibody	ka (1/Ms)	kd (1/s)	Kd (pM)
Ab-5	1.78E+06	1.74E-04	97.8
Ab-14	3.30E+06	4.87E-06	1.48
Ab-20	2.62E+06	4.16E-05	15.8

EXAMPLE 12

Thirty-three, approximately 3-5 year old, female cynomolgus monkeys (*Macaca fascicularis*) were used in this 2- month study. The study contained 11 groups:

Group 1: vehicle (N=4)
Group 2: Ab-23 (N=2, dose 3 mg/kg)
Group 3: Ab-23 (N=3, dose 10 mg/kg)
Group 4: Ab-23 (N=3, dose 30 mg/kg)
Group 5: Ab-5 (N=3, dose 3 mg/kg)
Group 6: Ab-5 (N=3, dose 10 mg/kg)
Group 7: Ab-5 (N=3, dose 30 mg/kg)
Group 8: Ab-14 (N=3, dose 3 mg/kg)
Group 9: Ab-14 (N=3, dose 10 mg/kg)
Group 10: Ab-14 (N=3, dose 30 mg/kg)
Group 11: Parathyroid Hormone (1-34) [PTH (1-34)] (N=3, dose 10 ug/kg)

All dosing was subcutaneous. PTH (1-34) was dosed everyday, monoclonal antibodies (Mabs) were dosed twice (first dose at the beginning of the study and second dose at the one month time point). For assessment of bone parameters (e.g. bone mineral density) pQCT (peripheral quantitative computed tomography) and DXA (dual energy X-ray absorptiometry) scans were performed prior to the beginning of the study (to obtain baseline values) and after a month (prior to the second dose of Mab) and finally at the end of the study (2-month time point) at which point the monkeys were necropsied for further analysis (e.g. histomorphometric analysis). Animals were fluorochrome labeled (days 14, 24, 47, and 57) for dynamic histomorphometry. Serum was collected at various time points during the study [day 1 pre-dose (the day of the first Mab dose), day 1 twelve hours post-dose, day 2, day 3, day 5, day 7, day 14, day 21, day 28, day 29 twelve hours post-dose (day 29 was the day of the second and final Mab dose), day 30, day 31, day 33, day 35, day 42, day 49 and day 56].

Three bone-related serum biomarkers were measured using commercially available kits:

Osteocalcin (OC) (DSL Osteocalcin Radioimmunoassay Kit; Diagnostic Systems Laboratories, Inc.,Webster, TX, USA)

N-terminal Propeptide of Type I Procollagen (P1NP) (P1NP Radioimmunoassay Kit; Orion Diagnostica, Espoo, Finland)

C-telopeptide fragments of collagen type I a1 chains (sCTXI) (Serum CrossLaps® ELISA; Nordic Bioscience Diagnostics A/S, Herlev, Denmark).

pQCT and DXA scans yielded data on various bone parameters (including bone mineral density (BMD) and bone mineral content) across numerous skeletal sites (including tibial metaphysis and diaphysis, radial metaphysis and diaphysis, femur neck, lumbar vertebrae). Analysis of this bone data (percent change from baseline for each animal) and the anabolic (OC, P1NP) serum biomarker data (percent change from baseline for each animal) revealed statistically significant increases, versus the vehicle group, in some parameters at some of the time points and doses for each Mab. This bone parameter data, serum biomarker data, as well as the histomorphometric data, indicated that each of the 3 Mabs (Ab-23, Ab-5 and Ab-14) was able to neutralize sclerostin in cynomolgous monkeys. This activity was most robust for Ab-23 and Ab-5, particularly at the highest dose (30 mg/kg), with a clear increase in bone formation (anabolic effect) as well as net gains in bone (e.g. BMD). Statistically significant increases in bone parameters and anabolic histomorphometric parameters were also found for the positive control group (PTH (1-34)).

Serum bone formation markers (P1NP, osteocalcin) were increased ($p<0.05$ vs vehicle (VEH)) at various time points and doses, but particularly in the 30 mg/kg groups for Ab-23 and Ab-5. Histomorphometric analysis revealed dramatic increases ($p<0.05$ vs VEH) in bone formation rates in cancellous bone at lumbar vertebra and proximal tibia (up to 5-fold increase), as well as at the endocortical surface of the femur midshaft (up to 10-fold increase) at the higher doses of Ab-23 and Ab-5. Trabecular thickness was increased with high dose Ab-23 and Ab-5 in lumbar vertebrae (>60%, $p<0.05$ vs VEH). By study end (2 months), areal BMD, as percent change from baseline, was increased ($p<0.05$ vs VEH) at the femur neck, ultra-distal radius (Ab-23, 30 mg/kg), and lumbar vertebrae (Ab-5, 30 mg/kg). The increases in areal BMD at the lumbar vertebrae were accompanied by increases in vertebral strength (97% increase in vertebral maximal load for Ab-23, 30 mg/kg; $p<0.05$ vs VEH); baseline values for lumbar areal BMD prior to Mab dosing were statistically similar across all groups. In summary, short-term administration of sclerostin-neutralizing Mabs in cynomolgous monkeys resulted, in part, in increases in bone formation, BMD and vertebral bone strength.

From the foregoing, although specific embodiments of the invention have been described herein for purposes of illustration, various modifications may be made without deviating from the spirit and scope of the invention. Accordingly, the invention is not limited

except as by the appended claims. All publications, published patent applications, and patent documents disclosed herein are hereby incorporated by reference.

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A polypeptide that consists essentially of at least one, at least two, at least three or all four of amino acid sequences SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 3, SEQ ID NO: 4 and SEQ ID NO: 5, wherein the polypeptide elicits an antibody specific for sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 when the polypeptide is administered to an animal.

2. The polypeptide of claim 1 that consists of SEQ ID NO: 5.

3. The polypeptide of claim 1 having the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 3, SEQ ID NO: 4 and SEQ ID NO: 5, wherein SEQ ID NO: 2 and 4 are joined by a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 57 and 111 with reference to SEQ ID NO: 1, and SEQ ID NO: 3 and 5 are joined by at least one of (a) a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 82 and 142 with reference to SEQ ID NO: 1, and (b) a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 86 and 144 with reference to SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein the polypeptide is obtained by tryptic digestion of human sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 and retains the tertiary structure of the corresponding polypeptide region of human sclerostin.

4. A polypeptide having the amino acid sequences of SEQ ID NO: 70, SEQ ID NO: 71, SEQ ID NO: 72 and SEQ ID NO: 73, wherein SEQ ID NO: 72 and 73 are joined by a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 57 and 111 with reference to SEQ ID NO: 1, and SEQ ID NO: 70 and 71 are joined by at least one of (a) a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 82 and 142 with reference to SEQ ID NO: 1, and (b) a disulfide bond at amino acid positions 86 and 144 with reference to SEQ ID NO: 1.

5. A polypeptide that is a fragment of human sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 produced by the steps of:

(a) treating human sclerostin with trypsin to achieve complete tryptic digestion;

(b) collecting the tryptic digest sample having average molecular mass of 7122.0D (theoretical mass 7121.5D) or retention time of about 20.6 minutes as

determined by by electrospray ionization liquid crystal mass spectrometry or elution from a reverse-phase HPLC column with linear gradient from 0.05% trifluoroacetic acid to 90% acetonitrile in 0.05% TFA at a flow rate of 0.2ml/min; and

(c) purifying said fragment from the tryptic digest sample.

6. A process for the production of an antibody or fragment thereof, comprising administering to a mammal a polypeptide of any one of claims 1-5.

7. An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that binds to the polypeptide of any one of claims 1-5 with a binding affinity (Kd) of less than or equal to 1×10^{-7} M.

8. An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that binds to a sclerostin polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1, wherein said antibody or fragment binds to at least one sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 3, SEQ ID NO: 4 or SEQ ID NO: 5 within SEQ ID NO: 1.

9. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 7 or claim 8, which also binds to an epitope of SEQ ID NO: 6.

10. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-9 that cross-blocks the binding of Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-11, Ab-13, Ab-14, or Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-21, or Ab-22 to sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 and/or is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 by Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-11, Ab-13, Ab-14, or Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-21, or Ab-22.

11. An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that cross-blocks the binding of the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-9 to human sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 and/or is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 by the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-9.

12. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 10 or claim 11, wherein the ability of said sclerostin binding agent to cross-block or to be cross-blocked is detected in a Biacore assay or an ELISA assay.

13. An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that cross-blocks the binding of at least one second antibody selected from the group consisting of antibodies Ab-C, Ab-D, Ab-2, Ab-3, Ab-11, Ab-13, Ab-14, Ab-15, Ab-16, Ab-17, Ab-18, Ab-21, or Ab-22 to sclerostin and/or is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin by at least one of the second antibodies.

14. An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof comprising:

a) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:48, 49, and 50 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:45, 46, and 47;

b) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:42, 43, and 44 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:39, 40, and 41;

c) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:278, 279, and 280 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:290, 291, and 292;

d) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:284, 285, and 286 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:296, 297, and 298;

e) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:275, 276, and 277 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:287, 288, and 289;

f) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:281, 282, and 283 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:293, 294, and 295;

g) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:116, 237, and 238 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:266, 267, and 268; or

h) CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:242, 243, and 244 and CDR sequences of SEQ ID NOs:272, 273, and 274.

15. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 14 comprising

(a) a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 129, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 125;

(b) a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 225 or 394, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 221;

(c) a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 209, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 205;

(d) a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 217 or 393, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 213;

(e) a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 19, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 15; or

(f) a heavy chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 11, and a light chain comprising a polypeptide having the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 7.

16. An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that cross-blocks the binding of a second antibody to sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 or (ii) is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 by the second antibody, wherein the second antibody comprises light chains comprising the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 205 and heavy chains comprising the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 209.

17. An antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that (a) cross-blocks the binding of a second antibody to sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 or (b) is cross-blocked from binding to sclerostin of SEQ ID NO: 1 by the second antibody, wherein the second antibody comprises (i) light chains comprising the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 15 and heavy chains comprising the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 19 or (ii) light chains comprising the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 7 and heavy chains comprising the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 11.

18. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-17, wherein said antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof can increase at least one of bone

formation, bone mineral density, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone quality and bone strength in a mammal, and/or can block the inhibitory effect of sclerostin in a cell based mineralization assay.

19. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 13 and 16-18, wherein the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof binds to sclerostin in a surface plasmon resonance assay such that during the assay in the presence of the second antibody, the recorded binding is between 80% and 4% of the maximum theoretical binding.

20. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 19, wherein the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof binds to sclerostin in a surface plasmon resonance assay such that during the assay in the presence of the second antibody, the recorded binding is between 70% and 4% of the maximum theoretical binding.

21. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 13 and 16-20, wherein (a) the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof in solution in an ELISA assay causes a reduction of between 60% and 100% in the amount of sclerostin bound by an immobilized second antibody and/or

(b) the second antibody in solution in an ELISA assay causes a reduction of between 60% and 100% in the amount of sclerostin bound by the immobilized antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof,

compared to the amount of sclerostin bound in the absence of the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof or second antibody in solution.

22. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 21, wherein the reduction in the amount of sclerostin bound by the immobilized antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof or second antibody is between 80% and 100%.

23. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-22, which is an antibody.

24. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 23, which is an immunoglobulin comprising heavy chains and light chains.

25. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 23 or claim 24, which is an IgG antibody.

26. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 23-25, which is a monoclonal antibody.

27. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 23-26, which is a chimeric antibody, a humanized antibody, or a human antibody.

28. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-22, which comprises an antibody fragment.

29. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of claim 28, which comprises a light chain variable region, heavy chain variable region, $F(ab')_2$, Fab, Fab', Fv, Fc, or Fd fragment.

30. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-29, which is isolated.

31. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-30, which is recombinant.

32. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-31 that binds to human sclerostin with a binding affinity (Kd) of less than or equal to 1×10^{-7} M, less than or equal to 1×10^{-8} M, less than or equal to 1×10^{-9} M, less than or equal to 1×10^{-10} M, less than or equal to 1×10^{-11} M, or less than or equal to 1×10^{-12} M.

33. An antibody or fragment thereof that binds to human sclerostin with a binding affinity (Kd) of less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-9} M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-10} M, less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-11} M, or less than or equal to 1 x 10^{-12} M.

34. The antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-33 to which one or more effector or reporter molecule(s) is attached.

35. An isolated polynucleotide encoding the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-33.

36. A cloning or expression vector comprising one or more polynucleotides of claim 35.

37. The cloning or expression vector of claim 36, wherein the cloning or expression vector comprises at least one sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOs:126, 128, 130, 132, 222, 224, 226, 228, 385, 387, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 381, and 383.

38. A host cell comprising one or more cloning or expression vectors of claim 36 or claim 37.

39. A process for the production of an antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof comprising culturing the host cell of claim 38 and isolating the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof.

40. A pharmaceutical composition comprising an antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-34 in combination with one or more of a pharmaceutically acceptable excipient, diluent or carrier.

41. Use of the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-34, or a pharmaceutical composition of claim 40, for the treatment or prophylaxis of a

pathological disorder that is mediated by sclerostin or that is associated with an increased level of sclerostin.

42. Use of the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-34, or a pharmaceutical composition of claim 40, for increasing at least one of bone formation, bone mineral content, bone mass, bone mineral density, bone quality, and bone strength in a mammal or treating a bone-related disorder in a mammal.

43. The use of claim 42, wherein the bone-related disorder is at least one of achondroplasia, cleidocranial dysostosis, enchondromatosis, fibrous dysplasia, Gaucher's Disease, hypophosphatemic rickets, Marfan's syndrome, multiple hereditary exotoses, neurofibromatosis, osteogenesis imperfecta, osteopetrosis, osteopoikilosis, sclerotic lesions, pseudoarthrosis, pyogenic osteomyelitis, periodontal disease, anti-epileptic drug induced bone loss, primary and secondary hyperparathyroidism, familial hyperparathyroidism syndromes, weightlessness induced bone loss, osteoporosis in men, postmenopausal bone loss, osteoarthritis, renal osteodystrophy, infiltrative disorders of bone, oral bone loss, osteonecrosis of the jaw, juvenile Paget's disease, melorheostosis, metabolic bone diseases, mastocytosis, sickle cell anemia/disease, organ transplant related bone loss, kidney transplant related bone loss, systemic lupus erythematosus, ankylosing spondylitis, epilepsy, juvenile arthritides, thalassemia, mucopolysaccharidoses, Fabry Disease, Turner Syndrome, Down Syndrome, Klinefelter Syndrome, leprosy, Perthes' Disease, adolescent idiopathic scoliosis, infantile onset multi-system inflammatory disease, Winchester Syndrome, Menkes Disease, Wilson's Disease, ischemic bone disease, Legg-Calve-Perthes disease, regional migratory osteoporosis, anemic states, conditions caused by steroids, glucocorticoid-induced bone loss, heparin-induced bone loss, bone marrow disorders, scurvy, malnutrition, calcium deficiency, osteoporosis, osteopenia, alcoholism, chronic liver disease, postmenopausal state, chronic inflammatory conditions, rheumatoid arthritis, inflammatory bowel disease, ulcerative colitis, inflammatory colitis, Crohn's disease, oligomenorrhea, amenorrhea, pregnancy, diabetes mellitus, hyperthyroidism, thyroid disorders, parathyroid disorders, Cushing's disease, acromegaly, hypogonadism, immobilization or disuse, reflex sympathetic dystrophy syndrome, regional osteoporosis, osteomalacia, bone loss associated with joint replacement, HIV associated bone loss, bone loss associated with loss of growth hormone, bone loss associated with cystic fibrosis, chemotherapy associated

bone loss, tumor induced bone loss, cancer-related bone loss, hormone ablative bone loss, multiple myeloma, drug-induced bone loss, anorexia nervosa, disease associated facial bone loss, disease associated cranial bone loss, disease associated bone loss of the jaw, disease associated bone loss of the skull, bone loss associated with aging, facial bone loss associated with aging, cranial bone loss associated with aging, jaw bone loss associated with aging, skull bone loss associated with aging, and bone loss associated with space travel.

44. The use of claim 43, wherein the bone-related disorder is osteoporosis or osteopenia.

45. Use of the antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof of any one of claims 7-34, or a pharmaceutical composition of claim 40, for improving the outcome in a mammal undergoing one or more of an orthopedic procedure, dental procedure, implant surgery, joint replacement, bone grafting, bone cosmetic surgery and bone repair.

46. The use of claim 45, wherein the bone repair is fracture healing, nonunion healing, delayed union healing or facial reconstruction.

47. A diagnostic kit comprising a sclerostin binding agent of any one of claims 7-34.

48. A polypeptide comprising at least one of SEQ ID NOs: 40, 41, 46, 47, 238, 242, 273, 274, 275, 278, 281, 283, 286, 288, 289, 291, 292, 294, 295, 297, or 298.

49. The polypeptide of claim 48 conjugated to at least one of Fc, PEG, albumin, and transferrin.