## Protein A & G Antibody Affinities



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Protein A and Protein G readily bind the Fc regions of many IgG isotypes. For this reason, they are used extensively for affinity purification of antibodies from serum or cell culture supernatant, and for capture of immunoprecipitated protein complexes. When Protein A and Protein G microspheres are used as reagents in tests and assays, the immobilized antibodies may be crosslinked to the coated support for long-term stability.

| Host Species | Antibody Class    | Protein A<br>Affinity Strength | Protein G<br>Affinity Strength |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Mouse        | Total IgG         | Strong                         | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>1</sub>  | Weak                           | Medium                         |
|              | lgG <sub>2a</sub> | Strong                         | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>2b</sub> | Strong                         | Strong                         |
| Rat          | Total IgG         | Weak                           | Medium                         |
|              | IgG <sub>1</sub>  | Weak                           | Medium                         |
|              | lgG <sub>2a</sub> | No Binding                     | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>2b</sub> | No Binding                     | Weak                           |
|              | IgG <sub>20</sub> | Strong                         | Strong                         |
| Human        | Total IgG         | Strong                         | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>1</sub>  | Strong                         | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>2</sub>  | Strong                         | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>3</sub>  | Weak                           | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>4</sub>  | Strong                         | Strong                         |
| Goat         | Total IgG         | Weak                           | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>1</sub>  | Weak                           | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>2</sub>  | Strong                         | Strong                         |
| Rabbit       | Total IgG         | Strong                         | Strong                         |
| Hamster      | Total IgG         | Weak                           | Medium                         |
| Sheep        | Total IgG         | Weak                           | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>1</sub>  | Weak                           | Strong                         |
|              | IgG <sub>2</sub>  | Strong                         | Strong                         |
| Guinea Pig   | Total IgG         | Strong                         | Weak                           |
| Donkey       | Total IgG         | Medium                         | Strong                         |