Datasheet

Mouse mAb to	Glial Fibrillary Acid Protein
Clone	G-A-5 (GA-5)
Isotype	IgG1



Source

A BALB/c mouse was immunized with a crude preparation from porcine spinal cord.

Specifications

G-A-5 reacts specifically with Glial Fibrillary Acid Protein. GFAP is the major protein of glial filaments in differentiated astrocytes and ependymal cells. It has a MW of 52 kDa and in the peripheral nervous system GFAP has been demonstrated in Schwann cells.



Figure 1: Human cerebellum stained with G-A-5

Species reactivity

Positive:

chicken, human, mouse, pig, rat.

Applications

G-A-5 is particularly useful for identifying GFAP in frozen and formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded brain tissue sections. In neoplastic tissue G-A-5 is positive in astrocytoma's and ependymomas. G-A-5 can also be applied for Western blot analysis.

Frozen sections	Paraffin sections	Western blotting
+	Citrate	+

Format

Produced in tissue culture, contains no host Ig. Antibodies are affinity purified and presented in PBS with 0,02% sodium azide.

Stored at 4°C-8°C, shelf life is at least 24 months after purchase.

Dilution advice

- \triangleright Immunoblotting $(0,5-1,0 \mu g/ml)$.
- Immunohistology (1-2 µg/ml for 30 min at RT; staining of formalin-fixed tissues requires boiling tissue sections in \triangleright 10mM citrate buffer, pH 6.0, for 10-20 min followed by cooling at RT for 20 minutes).

Positive control

Brain, neuroblastoma.

References

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