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AFP (3H8) Mouse mAb

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Applications: W, IF-IC, FC-FP	Reactivity: H	Sensitivity: Endogenous	MW (kDa): 70	Source/Isotype: Mouse IgG2a	UniProt ID: #P02771	Entrez-Gene Id: 174
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Product Usage Information

Application

Western Blotting
Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry)
Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

Dilution

1:1000
1:100
1:200

Storage

Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg/ml BSA, 50% glycerol and less than 0.02% sodium azide. Store at -20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.

Specificity/Sensitivity

AFP (3H8) Mouse mAb detects endogenous levels of total AFP protein.

Source / Purification

Monoclonal antibody is produced by immunizing animals with a recombinant fragment of human AFP.

Background

Alpha-fetoprotein (AFP) is a 65 kDa glycoprotein found in the mammalian fetal liver, yolk sac, and GI tract. While AFP expression in adult cells is low, it is aberrantly expressed in adult liver cancer cells (1,2). The tumor suppressor gene p53 and β-catenin are both involved in the regulation of AFP expression. In normal adult cells, p53 binds to the repressor region of the AFP gene, thereby blocking transcription. Mutations in both p53 and β-catenin are associated with aberrant expression of AFP. Research studies have shown that elevated serum AFP levels are predictive of hepatocellular carcinoma (3).

Background References

1. Meier, V. et al. (2006) *Comp Hepatol* 5, 2.
2. Warnes, T.W. and Smith, A. (1987) *Baillieres Clin Gastroenterol* 1, 63-89.
3. Peng, S.Y. et al. (2004) *Int J Cancer* 112, 44-50.

Species Reactivity

Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

Western Blot Buffer

IMPORTANT: For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted primary antibody in 5% w/v nonfat dry milk, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween® 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

Applications Key

W: Western Blotting **IF-IC:** Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry) **FC-FP:** Flow Cytometry (Fixed/Permeabilized)

Cross-Reactivity Key

H: Human

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