

Anti-Neuron-specific β-III Tubulin-NL493

Reagents Provided

NorthernLights[™] 493 (NL493)-conjugated mouse monoclonal anti-Neuron-specific β-III Tubulin: Supplied as a 10X solution of antibody in 0.5 mL PBS containing 0.09% sodium azide.

Clone #: TuJ-1

Isotype: mouse IgG_{2A}

Storage

Reagents are stable for **twelve months** from date of receipt when stored in the dark at $2-8^{\circ}$ C.

Intended Use

Designed to visualize the expression of Neuron-specific β -III Tubulin by fluorescence microscopy.

Product Description

This antibody was produced from a hybridoma resulting from the fusion of a mouse myeloma with B cells obtained from a mouse immunized with rat brain-derived microtubules. The IgG fraction of the tissue culture supernatant was purified by Protein A or G affinity chromatography. The purified antibody was then conjugated to fluorochrome NL493. The spectral characteristics of NL493 are provided, along with those of FITC and Alexa Fluor[®] 488 for comparison.

Fluorochrome	Absorption Maximum (nm)	Emission Maximum (nm)
NL493	493	514
FITC	492	520
Alexa Fluor 488	495	519



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Seven day differentiated rat cortical stem cells were stained with NL493-conjugated anti-Neuron-specific β -III Tubulin (Catalog # NL1195G; green) and counterstained with DAPI (blue).

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Catalog Number: NL1195G Lot Number: ADHJ01 100 Tests in 50 μL staining volume 20 Tests in 250 μL staining volume

Background Information

 β -III Tubulin, also known as tubulin β -4, is regarded as a neuron-specific marker. The expression of β -III Tubulin has been suggested to be one of the earliest markers to signal commitment in primitive neuroepithelium. This antibody reacts with mammalian and chicken neuron-specific β -III Tubulin but not with other β -Tubulin isotypes in glial cells (1, 2). This antibody stains neuronal cell bodies, dendrites, axons, and axonal terminations (3) and is commonly used in the identification of newly committed neurons.

References

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Immunocytochemistry Validation

This antibody has been tested for immunocytochemistry using 7 day differentiated rat cortical stem cells. Cells were fixed in PBS containing 4% paraformaldehyde, and blocked with PBS containing 10% normal donkey serum, 0.1% Triton[®] X-100, and 1% BSA. After blocking, cells were incubated with NL493-conjugated antibody at a final concentration of 1X (1:10 dilution) in blocking buffer for 3 hours at room temperature in the dark. Between each step, cells were washed with PBS containing BSA. If a staining volume of 250 μ L is used, this kit can be used for 20 tests; 100 tests can be done in a staining volume of 50 μ L.

Warning: Contains sodium azide as a preservative - sodium azide may react with lead and copper plumbing to form explosive metal azides. Flush with large volumes of water during disposal.

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