

**Qty:** 100 μg/200 μl Mouse Anti-Connexin-32 **Catalog No.** 13-8200 **Lot No.** See product label

## Mouse anti-Connexin-32

## FORM

This monclonal antibody is supplied as a 200 µl aliquot at 0.5 mg/ml in phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.4, containing 0.1% sodium azide. The antibody is highly purified from mouse ascites by peptide-specific affinity chromatography.

CLONE: CX-2C2

**ISOTYPE:** Mouse IgG<sub>1</sub>-kappa

## IMMUNOGEN

Synthetic peptide corresponding to a segment of the cytoplasmic loop of rat Connexin-32<sup>(1,3,6)</sup>.

## SPECIFICITY

This antibody is specific for Connexin-32.

## REACTIVITY

Human, mouse and rat. Reactivity has been confirmed by Western blot analysis of extracts derived from mouse liver, rat liver, rat primary hepatocytes, and rat spinal cord.

### USAGE

The dilutions below are only starting recommendations. Optimal concentrations of this antibody should be determined by the researcher for each specific application.

ELISA:	0.1-1.0 µg/ml
Western Blotting <sup>(10, 11)</sup> :	1 µg/ml
Immunohistochemistry (frozen sections) <sup>(9-11)</sup> :	1-2 µg/ml
Immunofluorescence <sup>(12)</sup> :	5-10 µg/ml

The suitability of this antibody in applications other than those listed above has not been evaluated.

#### STORAGE

Store at 2-8°C for up to one month. Store at -20°C for long term storage. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

## BACKGROUND<sup>(4,8)</sup>

Intracellular communication mediated by gap junctions plays an important role in a variety of cellular processes including: homeostasis, morphogenesis, cell differentiation, and growth control. Gap junctions are transmembrane channels that serve to directly link neighboring cells by mediating the exchange of low-molecular weight metabolites, ions, and second messengers. Gap junctions are formed by the interaction of connexons or hemichannels on adjacent cells. The connexon itself is composed of a hexameric assembly of proteins referred to as connexins. Connexins are highly homologous proteins encoded by a multigene family. The connexins exhibit similar structural features, which include a cytoplasmic amino terminal region, four transmembrane domains, two extracellular loops, and a carboxy-terminal cytoplasmic tail of varying length. Comparison of the amino acid sequences of the various connexin family members indicate that the two areas of greatest divergence amongst the connexin family members are the intracellular loop connecting the second and third transmembrane segments and the carboxy-terminal tail<sup>(1, 3, 6)</sup>. These domains are, therefore, thought to mediate connexin-type specific properties including: phosphorylation, responses to gating stimuli, as well as assembly and membrane turnover. Modulation of gap junctional communication can be achieved by multiple mechanisms and can occur very rapidly or over a period of several hours. These mechanisms include alterations in transcription, translation, stability, postranslational processing (especially phosphorylation), gating, and insertion or removal from the plasma membrane. Interestingly, reduction or alterations in the levels or types of connexin expressed in a given cell type has been found to correlate with tumor progression and metastasis<sup>(5)</sup>.

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Rabbit anti-Connexin 26	Purified	71-0500
Mouse anti-Connexin 26	Purified	13-8100
Rabbit anti-Connexin 30	Purified	71-2200
Mouse anti-Connexin 30	Purified	33-2500
Rabbit anti-Connexin 32	Purified	71-0600
Mouse anti-Connexin 32	Purified	13-8200
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