

Technical Data Sheet

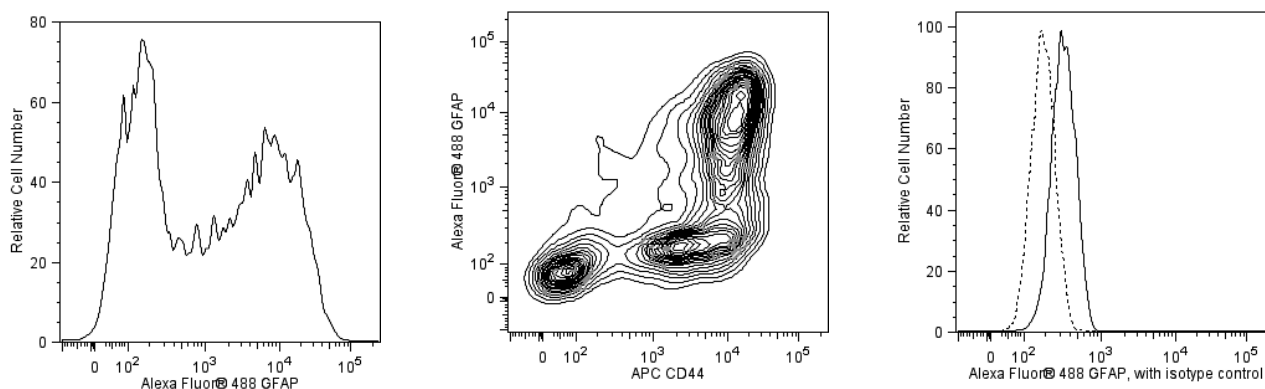
Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse anti-GFAP

Product Information

Material Number:	561449
Alternate Name:	Glial Fibrillary Acidic Protein, FLJ45472
Size:	50 tests
Vol. per Test:	5 µl
Clone:	1B4
Immunogen:	Cow spinal cord homogenate
Isotype:	Mouse IgG2b
Reactivity:	QC Testing: Human Reported by Western Blot (Cat. No. 556328): Rat, Mouse, Cow, Sheep, Dog, Pig, Rabbit, Guinea Pig, Chicken
Storage Buffer:	Aqueous buffered solution containing BSA, protein stabilizer, and ≤0.09% sodium azide.

Description

GFAP (Glial Fibrillary Acidic Protein) is the major protein of glial filaments in differentiated astrocytes. BD Biosciences offers a panel of monoclonal antibodies (4A11, 1B4, 2E1) that specifically recognize GFAP. They do not cross-react with other intermediate filaments such as vimentin, neurofilament proteins, desmin, keratin, neurotubules or microfilaments.



Analysis of GFAP in differentiated human Neural Stem Cells (NSC). NSC derived from H9 cells (WiCell, Madison, WI) were differentiated in NSC differentiation medium [containing N2 and B-27 supplements (Life Technologies), recombinant human BDNF and GDNF (Peprotech), dibutyl cyclic AMP (Sigma)] for 11 days followed by AGM™ Astrocyte Growth Medium (Lonza) for 16 days. The cells were fixed (BD Cytotfix™ buffer, Cat. No. 554655) for 20 minutes at room temperature, permeabilized with BD™ Phosflow Perm/Wash Buffer I (Cat. No. 557885), and then stained with Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse anti-GFAP (left panel) and co-stained with APC mouse anti-CD44 (Cat. No. 559942) as shown in the right panel. This antibody conjugate also works with BD™ Phosflow Perm Buffer III. Flow cytometry was performed on a BD LSR™ II flow cytometer.

Analysis of GFAP in Neural Stem cells (NSC). NSC were isolated by sorting from Embryoid bodies and were grown for 8 passages post sort, fixed (BD Cytotfix™ buffer, Cat. No. 554655) for 20 minutes at room temperature, permeabilized with BD™ Phosflow Perm/Wash Buffer I (Cat. No. 557885), and then stained with either Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse anti-GFAP (solid line) or Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse IgG2b, κ Isotype Control (Cat. No. 558716, dashed line).

Preparation and Storage

The monoclonal antibody was purified from tissue culture supernatant or ascites by affinity chromatography.

The antibody was conjugated to Alexa Fluor® 488 under optimum conditions, and unreacted Alexa Fluor® 488 was removed.

Store undiluted at 4°C and protected from prolonged exposure to light. Do not freeze.

Application Notes

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Intracellular staining (flow cytometry)	Routinely Tested
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Recommended Assay Procedure:

The formulation of this antibody conjugate has been optimized for flow cytometry. We recommend Cat. No. 560297 for Bioimaging.

Suggested Companion Products

<u>Catalog Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Clone</u>
558716	Alexa Fluor® 488 Mouse IgG2b, κ Isotype Control	50 tests	27-35
554655	Fixation Buffer	100 ml	(none)
557885	Perm/Wash Buffer I	125 ml	(none)
558050	Perm Buffer III	125 ml	(none)
554656	Stain Buffer (FBS)	500 ml	(none)

Product Notices

1. This reagent has been pre-diluted for use at the recommended Volume per Test. We typically use 1×10^6 cells in a 100- μ l experimental sample (a test).
2. Please refer to www.bdbiosciences.com/pharming/en/protocols for technical protocols.
3. An isotype control should be used at the same concentration as the antibody of interest.
4. Alexa Fluor® 488 fluorochrome emission is collected at the same instrument settings as for fluorescein isothiocyanate (FITC).
5. For fluorochrome spectra and suitable instrument settings, please refer to our Fluorochrome Web Page at www.bdbiosciences.com/colors.
6. The Alexa Fluor®, Pacific Blue™, and Cascade Blue® dye antibody conjugates in this product are sold under license from Molecular Probes, Inc. for research use only, excluding use in combination with microarrays, or as analyte specific reagents. The Alexa Fluor® dyes (except for Alexa Fluor® 430), Pacific Blue™ dye, and Cascade Blue® dye are covered by pending and issued patents.
7. Caution: Sodium azide yields highly toxic hydrazoic acid under acidic conditions. Dilute azide compounds in running water before discarding to avoid accumulation of potentially explosive deposits in plumbing.
8. Source of all serum proteins is from USDA inspected abattoirs located in the United States.
9. Alexa Fluor® is a registered trademark of Molecular Probes, Inc., Eugene, OR.

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