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## Fluorochrome-conjugated MoAbs for Alport's syndrome

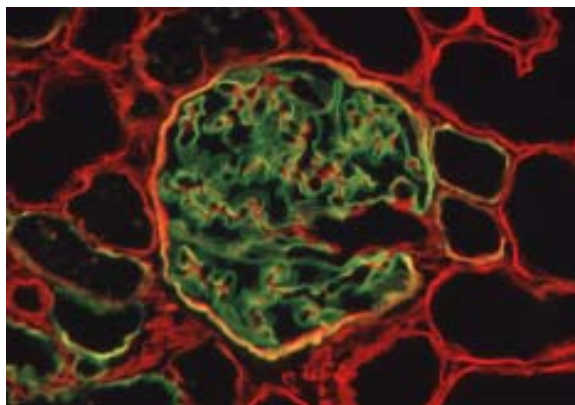
FITC-Anti Collagen IV  $\alpha 5(\text{IV})$  Chain, Human (Mono)  
+ Texas Red-Anti Collagen IV  $\alpha 2(\text{IV})$  Chain, Human (Mono)

Code: SGE-CFT45325

Quantity: 1.0 ml

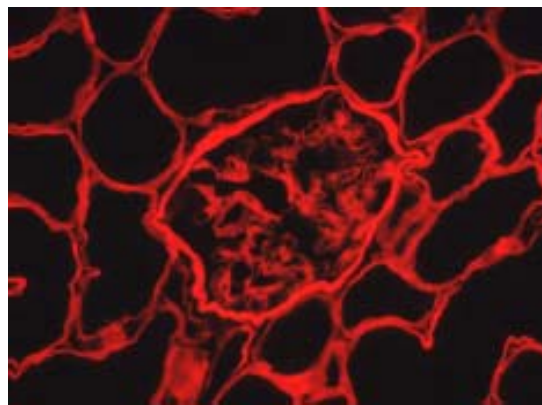
This product can be used for staining of human renal and skin biopsy sections very easily and rapidly because two monoclonal antibodies are conjugated with two different fluorochromes. FITC-conjugated-anti  $\alpha 5(\text{IV})$  demonstrates presence or absence of the  $\alpha 5(\text{IV})$  chain, and Texas Red -anti  $\alpha 2(\text{IV})$  reveals the renal basement membrane structure.

Alport's syndrome, an inherited disease, shows absence or reduction of the  $\alpha 5(\text{IV})$  chain in the glomerular, tubular and Bowman's capsular basement membranes. Normal human kidney has  $\alpha 1(\text{IV})$  to  $\alpha 6(\text{IV})$  chains in the renal basement membranes.



**Double exposure of normal human kidney section stained with the product.**

FITC fluorescence ( $\alpha 5$  chain) is observed in the GBM, part of the TBM and Bowman's capsular BM. BMs where two fluorochromes are present look orange to yellow.



**Double exposure of Alport human kidney section stained with the product.**

Because no FITC fluorescence ( $\alpha 5$  chain) is observed in the kidney of the patient with X-linked Alport's syndrome, only Texas Red fluorescence ( $\alpha 2$  chain) is confirmed.



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Appearance: Solution. Monoclonal antibodies were purified by affinity chromatography. The monoclonal antibodies against  $\alpha 5(\text{IV})$  were conjugated with FITC (H53 & B51), and the monoclonal antibody against  $\alpha 2(\text{IV})$ , with Texas Red (H25). 0.1%  $\text{NaN}_3$  is added for preservation.

Clone names: H53 (rat IgG2a/kappa, B51 (rat IgG2a), & H25 (rat IgG1/kappa)

Specificity of antibodies: H53 is specific to imperfection III of  $\alpha 5(\text{IV})$  (Reference 1); B51 is specific to NC1 domain of  $\alpha 5(\text{IV})$  (Reference 2); H25 is specific to imperfection XIII of  $\alpha 2(\text{IV})$  (Reference 1).

Preparation of antibodies : Monoclonal antibodies were prepared by the rat lymph node method developed by Shigei Medical Research Institute with synthetic peptides and native NC1 domain of type IV collagen as immunogens.

use : Staining of human cryostat sections by direct immunofluorescence (No acid-urea treatment is necessary.)

Storage : In dark at 2-4°C, or in freezing at below -30°C. Stable at these conditions for several years

Reference : 1) Kagawa et al. (1997) Nephrol. Dial. Transplant. 12: 1238-1241  
2) Borza DB et al. (2001) J. Biol. Chem. 276: 28532-28540

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## How to use SGE-CFT45325

● SGE-CFT45325 is prepared to stain human cryostat sections of renal and skin biopsy specimens by direct immunofluorescence.

### How to stain human kidney cryostat sections

Just put 20-50  $\mu$ l of the staining solution on cryostat sections, incubate them for 30 min at room temperature. After washing them with PBS, mount them and observe them with a fluorescence microscope.

**Caution:** Do not use stale cryostat sections.

Do not fix sections with any fixatives.

Do not dilute the staining solution.

### How to stain human skin cryostat sections

After acetone treatment of cryostat sections for 5 min, put 20-50  $\mu$ l of the staining solution on them, and incubate them for 60 min in a moisture chamber at room temperature. After washing them with PBS, mount them and observe them with a fluorescence microscope.

**Caution:** Do not use stale cryostat sections.

Do not fix sections with any fixatives.

Do not dilute the staining solution.

● In case that a section is not stained or stained in a mosaic pattern with FITC-anti- $\alpha$ 5(IV) but the background staining of Texas Red-anti- $\alpha$ 2(IV) is normally stained The disease is diagnosed as Alport's syndrome.

**Caution:** Human skin basement membrane is a thin membrane and sometimes staining of  $\alpha$ 5(IV) is very weak.

For accurate diagnosis, it is important to consider clinical symptoms. In case that the staining is not clear, it is necessary to make additional staining with other monoclonal antibodies against type IV collagen.

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