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MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY

Anti-Integrin α7 (Mouse) mAb-PE

Code No.	Clone	Subclass	Quantity
K0046-5	3C12	Mouse IgG1	1 mL (50 tests)

BACKGROUND: The integrin family of adhesion molecules participate in important cell-cell and cell-extracellular matrix interactions in a diverse range of biological processes. Integrins are heterodimers consisting of a α subunit and β subunit. Both α and β subunit are transmembrane proteins with large extracellular domains (>100 kDa for α subunit and >75 kDa for β subunit) that interact with extracellular matrix proteins and relatively small cytoplasmic domains (50 amino acids or less, except for the β4 subunit) that interact with cytoskeletal proteins. The adhesiveness of integrins is dynamically regulated in response to cytoplasmic signals, termed "inside-out" signaling. It has been reported that, upon ligand binding, integrins regulate many intracellular signaling pathways that involve cytoplasmic alkalization, intracellular Ca^{2+} fluctuation, inositol lipid metabolism, protein kinase C, MAP kinase and phosphatidyl inositol kinase. Integrin α7 is a specific cellular receptor for the basement membrane protein laminin-1, as well as for the laminin isoforms-2 and -4. The α7 subunit is expressed mainly in skeletal and cardiac muscle and may be involved in differentiation and migration processes during myogenesis. Absence of integrin α7 results in muscular dystrophy is revealed.

SOURCE: This antibody was purified from hybridoma (3C12) supernatant using protein A agarose. This hybridoma was established by fusion of mouse myeloma cell SP2/0 with Integrin α7 knockout C57/B6 mouse splenocyte immunized with mouse myoblasts.

FORMULATION: 50 tests in 1 mL volume of PBS containing 1% BSA and 0.09% NaN_3.
*Azide may react with copper or lead in plumbing system to form explosive metal azides. Therefore, always flush plenty of water when disposing materials containing azide into drain.

STORAGE: This antibody solution is stable for one year from the date of purchase when stored at 4°C.

REACTIVITY: This antibody reacts with mouse Integrin α7 on flow cytometry.

APPLICATIONS:
Western blotting; Not tested
Immunoprecipitation; Not tested
Immunohistochemistry; Not tested
Immunocytochemistry ; Not tested
Flow cytometry; 20 µL (ready for use)
Detailed procedure is provided in the following **PROTOCOL**.

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SPECIES CROSS REACTIVITY:

Species	Human	Mouse	Rat
Cell	Not tested	C2C12	Not tested
Reactivity on FCM		+	

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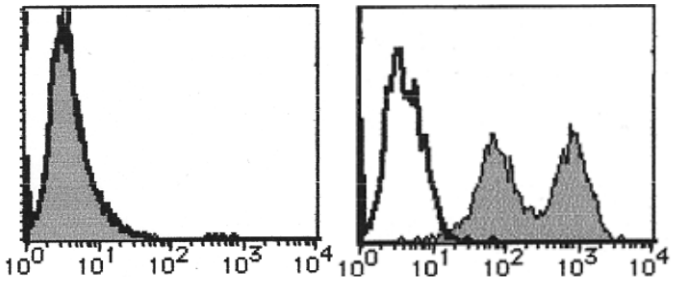

Flow cytometric analysis of mouse Integrin α7 expression on NIH/3T3 cells (left) and C2C12 cells (right). *Open histogram indicates the reaction of isotypic control to the cells. Shaded histograms indicate the reaction of K0046-5 to the cells.*

The descriptions of the following protocols are examples. Each user should determine the appropriate condition.

PROTOCOL:
Flow cytometric analysis for floating cells
We usually use Fisher tubes or equivalents as reaction tubes for all step described below.
1) Wash the cells 3 times with washing buffer [PBS containing 2% fetal calf serum (FCS) and 0.09% NaN_3].
2) Resuspend the cells with washing buffer ($5x10^6$ cells/mL).
3) Add 50 µL of the cell suspension into each tube, and centrifuge at 500 x g for 1 minute at room temperature

(20~25°C). Remove supernatant by careful aspiration.

4) Add 10 µL of normal goat serum containing 1 mg/mL normal human IgG and 0.1% NaN_3 to the cell pellet after tapping. Mix well and incubate for 10 minutes at room temperature.
5) Add the primary antibody at the amount as suggested in the **APPLICATIONS**. Mix well and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.
6) Add 1 mL of the washing buffer followed by centrifugation at 500 x g for 1 minute at room temperature. Remove supernatant by careful aspiration.
7) Resuspend the cells with 500 µL of the washing buffer and analyze by a flow cytometer.

(Positive control for flow cytometry: C2C12)