

CE<u>IVD</u> **Mouse anti-Neurofilament** Cat. No.: AIB-30138 (1 ml Concentrate); AIB-30139 (0.5 ml Concentrate);

AIB-30137 (6 ml Ready-to-use)

Instructions for use

Intended use

This antibody is designed for the specific localisation of Neurofilament (large and small subunit) in formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue sections. The antibody is also suitable for Western Blot and immunoprecipitation (native). Anti-Neurofilament antibody is intended for in vitro diagnostic use.

Specifications	
Specificity:	Neurofilament L+H (70 kDa and 200 kDa subunit)
Immunogen:	Purified neurofilament from human brain
Clone:	2F11
Isotype:	Mouse IgG1 kappa
Species reactivity:	Human +, mouste +, rabbit +, rat +, others not tested

Summary and Description

Neurofilaments are intermediate filaments of the neurons and composed of the three subunits NF-L (68–70 kDa), NF-M (150–160 kDa) and NF-H (200 kDa). The Antibody of clone 2F11 binds to the phosphorylated subunits NF-L and NF-H. In Western Blot it reacts only with NF-L.

Neurofilaments are expressed by neural tumours and tumours with neuronal differentiation, like neuroblastomas, medulloblastomas und retinoblastomas.

Reagent provided

Mouse monoclonal antibody from cell culture supernatant in PBS with carrier protein and preservative for stabilisation in the following formats:

Concentrate:	1 ml	(Cat. No. AIB-30138)
Concentrate:	0.5 ml	(Cat. No. AIB-30139)
Ready-to-use:	6 ml	(Cat. No. AIB-30137)

Dilution of primary antibody

Dilution of Nordic Biosite' concentrated antibody depends on the detection system used. The final working dilution must always be determined by the user. The elaboration of staining protocol should be done by an experienced specialist. For Nordic Biosite' recommendations see chapter 'Staining procedure'.

Storage and handling

The antibody should be stored at 2-8°C without furt her dilution.

Dilutions of the concentrated antibody should be done with a suitable antibody dilution buffer (e.g. BCB-20005/BCB-20006 from Nordic Biosite). The diluted antibody should be stored at 2-8°C after use. Stability of this working solution depends on various parameters and has to be confirmed by appropriate controls. The antibody provided is suitable for use until the expiry date indicated on the label, if stored at 2-8°C. Do not use product after the expiry date. Positive and negative controls should be run simultaneously with all specimens. If unexpected staining is observed which cannot be explained by variations in laboratory procedures and a problem with the antibody is suspected, contact Nordic Biosite' technical support or your local distributor.

Explanations of the symbols on the product label:

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Precautions

Use through qualified personnel only.

Wear protective clothing to avoid contact of reagents and specimens with eye, skin and mucous membranes. If reagents or specimens come in contact with sensitive area, wash with large amounts of water. Microbial contamination of the reagent must be avoided, since otherwise non-specific staining may occur. ProClin300 is used for stabilisation. Material safety data sheets (MSDS) are available upon request.

Staining procedure

Refer to the following table for conditions specifically recommended for this antibody. Also refer to detection system data sheets for guidance on specific staining protocols or other requirements.

ParametersNordic BioSites recommendations*Pre-treatmentHeat Induced Epitope Retrieval (for example in Citrate Buffer pH 6.0 (BCB-20015/-20016)*Control tissue*Control tissueBrain, IMR-5 cells*Working dilution1:200 (for concentrates)*Incubation time30-60 minutes

Quality control

The recommended positive control tissue for this antibody is brain, alternatively IMR-5 cells. We recommend carrying out a positive and a negative control with every staining run. Please refer to the instructions of the detection system for guidance on general quality control procedures.

Troubleshooting

If you observe unusual staining or other deviations from the expected results please read these instructions carefully, refer to the instructions of the detection system for relevant information or contact your local distributor.

Expected results

This antibody stains positive in the cytoplasm of Neurofilament positive cells in formalin-fixed, paraffin-embedded tissue sections. Interpretation of the staining results is solely the responsibility of the user. Any experimental result should be confirmed by a medically established diagnostic procedure.

Limitations of the Procedure

Immunohistochemistry is a complex technique involving both histological and immunological detection methods. Tissue processing and handling prior to immunostaining, for example variations in fixation and embedding or the inherent nature of the tissue can cause inconsistent results (Nadji and Morales, 1983). Endogenous peroxidase, alkaline phosphatase or biotin may cause non-specific staining depending on the detection system used. Tissues containing Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (HBsAg) may give false positive results with HRP (horse radish peroxidase) detection systems (Omata et al, 1980). Inadequate counterstaining and mounting can influence the interpretation of the results.

Nordic Biosite warrants that the product will meet all requirements described from its shipping date until the expiry date is reached, if the product is stored and utilised as recommended. No additional guarantees can be given. Under no circumstances shall Nordic Biosite be liable for any damages arising out of the use of the reagent provided.

Performance characteristics

Nordic Biosite has conducted studies to evaluate the performance of the antibody for use with a standard detection system. The product has been found to be sensitive and specific to the antigen of interest with minimal or no cross-reactivity.

Bibliography

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