



## MOUSE ANTI-MAP-2 MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY

**CATALOG NUMBER:** MAB3418-50UG

**LOT NUMBER:**

**QUANTITY:** 50 µg

**CONCENTRATION:** 1 mg/mL

**SPECIFICITY:** MAP-2 (microtubule associated protein-2) is one of several high molecular weight proteins that play an important role in brain microtubule assembly. In addition to its association with microtubules, MAP-2 associates with neurofilaments and actin filaments suggesting that it may guide interaction among microtubules, other cytoskeletal elements, and cytoplasmic organelles (1).

MAP-2 is a stringent marker for neurons. In addition, MAP-2 displays intracellular specificity. In the central nervous system, MAP-2 is confined to neuronal cell bodies and dendrites. There are exceptions, however, where some axons stain positive for small amounts of MAP-2 (2,3). MAP-2 is uniformly distributed throughout the cell when first expressed in cultured neurons but becomes selectively localized as dendritic development proceeds (4,5).

SDS-PAGE Profiles: In SDS-PAGE MAP-2 from adult rat migrates as a closely associated doublet having a molecular weight of approximately 300 kD. However, early in brain development (postnatal day 10 in rats), MAP-2 migrates as a single band that is identical to the lower molecular weight band of the adult MAP-2 doublet (MAP-2b). Later in development (postnatal days 17-18), the mobility of MAP-2 changes to the adult doublet form. (In the spinal cord, conversion to the adult form occurs earlier).

**IMMUNOGEN:** Bovine brain microtubule protein.

**ISOTYPE:** IgG<sub>1</sub>

**CLONE NAME:** AP20

**APPLICATIONS:** Western blot: 60 ng/mL  
Immunohistochemistry: 5 µg/mL  
Optimal working dilutions must be determined by end user.

**SPECIES REACTIVITIES:** Human, cow, rat, mouse, and chicken.

**FORMAT:** Purified immunoglobulin.

**PRESENTATION:** Liquid. Buffer = 0.02M Phosphate buffer, pH 7.6, 0.25M NaCl with 0.1% sodium azide.

**STORAGE/HANDLING:** Maintain at 2-8°C in undiluted aliquots for up to 6 months.



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## APPLICATION NOTES

**Western Blot:** Users should run 4%-20% SDS-PAGE gradient gels. MAP-2 is detected as a 300 kD band with approximately 60 ng/ml anti-MAP-2.

**Immunohistochemistry:** Anti-MAP-2 can be used to stain tissue (brain or spinal cord) fixed with paraformaldehyde.

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