

GFAP

Cat.No. 173 211; Monoclonal mouse antibody, 100 µg purified IgG (lyophilized)

Data Sheet

Reconstitution/ Storage	100 µg purified IgG, lyophilized. Albumin and azide were added for stabilization. For reconstitution add 100 µl H ₂ O to get a 1mg/ml solution in PBS. Then aliquot and store at -20°C to -80°C until use. Antibodies should be stored at +4°C when still lyophilized. Do not freeze! For detailed information, see back of the data sheet.
Applications	WB: 1 : 1000 (AP staining) (see remarks) IP: yes ICC: 1 : 500 up to 1 : 1000 IHC: 1 : 500 IHC-P (FFPE): 1 : 200 up to 1 : 1000
Clone	186C6
Subtype	IgG1 (κ light chain)
Immunogen	full-length recombinant human GFAP (UniProt Id: P14136)
Epitop	AA 1 to 15 from human GFAP (UniProt Id: P14136)
Reactivity	Reacts with: human (P14136), rat (P47819), mouse (P03995), cow. Other species not tested yet.
Specificity	Specific for GFAP, detects all isoforms. K.O. validated
Matching control	173-0P
Remarks	WB: The monoclonal antibodies are less sensitive compared to the rabbit polyclonal polyclonal (cat. no. 173 002).

TO BE USED IN VITRO / FOR RESEARCH ONLY
NOT TOXIC, NOT HAZARDOUS, NOT INFECTIOUS, NOT CONTAGIOUS

Background

Glial fibrillary acidic protein **GFAP** is a glial-specific member of the intermediate filament protein family. This group comprises cell type-specific filamentous proteins with similar structure and function as scaffold for cytoskeleton assembly and maintenance.

Frequently, neural stem cells also express GFAP. In addition many types of brain tumors, probably derived from astrocytic cells, heavily express GFAP. This protein is also found in the lens epithelium, Kupffer cells of the liver, in some cells in salivary tumors and others.

Point-mutations in the GFAP gene have been correlated to Alexander disease, a fatal leukoencephalopathy that leads to the dysmyelination or demyelination of the central nervous system.

For more information on protein expression pattern, please refer to the overview image in our SYSY Antibodies ATLAS.

Selected References for 173 211

Anticonvulsant Action and Long-Term Effects of Chronic Cannabidiol Treatment in the Rat Pentylentetrazole-Kindling Model of Epilepsy.

Gáll Z, Kelemen K, Tolokán A, Zolcsek I, Sável I, Bod R, Ferencz E, Vancea S, Urkon M, Kolcsár M Biomedicines (2022) 108: . . **IHC; tested species: mouse**

Visual System Impairment in a Mouse Model of Krabbe Disease: The Twitcher Mouse.

Tonazzini I, Cerri C, Del Grosso A, Antonini S, Allegra M, Caleo M, Cecchini M Biomolecules (2020) 111: . . **WB; tested species: mouse**

A DNA-based nano-immunoassay for the label-free detection of glial fibrillary acidic protein in multicell lysates.

Ganau M, Bosco A, Palma A, Corvaglia S, Parisse P, Fruk L, Beltrami AP, Cesselli D, Casalis L, Scoles G Nanomedicine : nanotechnology, biology, and medicine (2015) 112: 293-300. . **ELISA**

Marked differences in the effects of levetiracetam and its analogue brivaracetam on microglial, astrocytic, and neuronal density in the rat model of kainic acid-induced temporal lobe epilepsy.

Kelemen K, Sárosi M, Csüdör Á, Orbán-Kis K, Kelemen H, Bába L, Gáll Z, Horváth E, Katona I, Szilágyi T Frontiers in pharmacology (2025) 16: 1553545. . **IHC; tested species: rat**

Neurons undergo pathogenic metabolic reprogramming in models of familial ALS.

Riechers SP, Mojsilovic-Petrovic J, Belton TB, Chakrabarty RP, Garjani M, Medvedeva V, Dalton C, Wong YC, Chandel NS, Diemel G, Kalb RG, et al.

Molecular metabolism (2022) 60: 101468. . **WB; tested species: rat**

Pum2 and TDP-43 refine area-specific cytoarchitecture post-mitotically and modulate translation of Sox5, Bcl11b, and Rorb mRNAs in developing mouse neocortex.

Harb K, Richter M, Neelagandan N, Magrinelli E, Harfoush H, Kuechler K, Henis M, Hermanns-Borgmeyer I, Calderon de Anda F, Duncan K

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Loss of glial fibrillary acidic protein (GFAP) impairs Schwann cell proliferation and delays nerve regeneration after damage. Triolo D et al. J. Cell. Sci. (2006) PubMed:16988027

Asymptomatic hereditary Alexander's disease caused by a novel mutation in GFAP.

Shiihara T et al. J. Neurol. Sci. (2004) PubMed:15465095

Access the online factsheet including applicable protocols at <https://sysy.com/product/173211> or scan the QR-code.



FAQ - How should I store my antibody?

Shipping Conditions

- All SYSY antibodies and control proteins/peptides are shipped lyophilized (vacuum freeze-dried). In this form, they remain stable without loss of quality at ambient temperatures for several weeks.

Storage of Sealed Vials after Delivery

- **Unlabeled** and **biotin-labeled antibodies** and **control proteins** should be stored at **4°C** before reconstitution. **Do not freeze lyophilized antibodies.** Temperatures below 0°C may impair performance.
- **Fluorescence-labeled antibodies** should be reconstituted immediately upon receipt. Long-term storage of lyophilized fluorophore-conjugates may cause aggregation.
- **Control peptides** should be stored at -20°C before reconstitution.

Long Term Storage after Reconstitution (General Considerations)

- **Do not use frost-free (“no-frost”) freezers.** These units periodically warm to remove ice buildup, causing freeze–thaw cycles that can damage antibodies.
- Store vials in areas with minimal temperature fluctuation - preferably toward the back of the freezer, not on the door.
- Aliquot reconstituted antibodies and store at -20°C to -80°C.
- Avoid very small aliquots (<20 µL), as evaporation and adsorption to tube surfaces can reduce antibody concentration and activity.
- Use the smallest practical storage vial to minimize surface area.
- Adding glycerol to a final concentration of 50% prevents freezing at -20°C, allowing storage in liquid form and effectively avoiding freeze–thaw cycles.

Product Specific Hints for Storage

Control proteins / peptides

- Store at -20°C to -80°C

Monoclonal Antibodies

- **Ascites and hybridoma supernatant:** Store at -20°C to -80°C. Prolonged storage at 4°C is not recommended, as proteases present in ascites may degrade antibodies.
- **Purified IgG:** Store at -20°C to -80°C. Adding a carrier protein (e.g., BSA) enhances long-term stability. Many SYSY antibodies already contain carrier proteins - refer to the respective datasheet for details.

Polyclonal Antibodies

- **Crude antisera:** Can be stored at 4°C with antimicrobials added, but -20°C to -80°C is preferred
- **Affinity-purified antibodies:** Less stable than antisera; store at -20°C to -80°C. Adding a carrier protein such as BSA improves long-term stability. Most SYSY antibodies already contain carrier proteins - refer to the respective datasheet for details.

Fluorescence-labeled Antibodies

- Store as a liquid with 1:1 (v/v) glycerol at -20°C, and protect from light exposure

Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles for all antibodies!

FAQ - How should I reconstitute my antibody?

Reconstitution

- All purified SYSY antibodies are lyophilized from PBS. To reconstitute the antibody in PBS, add the volume of deionized water specified in the corresponding datasheet. If a larger final volume is desired, first add the recommended amount of water, then adjust with PBS and, if needed, add a stabilizing carrier protein (e.g., BSA) to a final concentration of 2%. Some SYSY antibodies already contain albumin; please take this into account before adding additional carrier protein.

For complete reconstitution, carefully remove the vial cap. After adding water, briefly vortex the solution. To collect the liquid at the bottom of the vial, place the vial inside a 50 ml centrifuge tube padded with paper and centrifuge briefly.

- If desired, small amounts of azide or thimerosal may be added to prevent microbial growth. This is particularly recommended when storing an aliquot at 4°C.
- After reconstitution of fluorescence-labeled antibodies, add glycerol 1:1 (v/v) to achieve a final concentration of 50%. This prevents freezing at -20°C and keeps the antibody in liquid form, effectively avoiding freeze–thaw cycles.
- Glycerol may also be added to unlabeled primary antibodies as a general measure to prevent freeze–thaw damage.
- For further guidance, please refer to our **storage tips** and recommendations for reconstituted antibodies, control peptides, and control proteins.