

Anti- HCV NS4a protein antibody, mouse monoclonal (S4-13), FITC conjugated

65-059 50 µg

Shipping and Storage: Shipped at 4°C or -20°C and store at -20°C.

Immunogen: A region of NS4 protein (the nucleotide sequence is shown in Ref.) of **HCV genotype 1b** expressed in *E.coli*.

Form: 1.4 mg/ml in PBS⁻ with 50% glycerol, filter-sterilized

Conjugate: FITC conjugated, [FITC] / [IgG] = 7~15

Isotype: Mouse IgG2b κ

Reactivity: Specific to human HCV NS4a protein of genotype 1b. It does not react with genotypes 1a, and 2a.

Epitope: The epitope of this antibody was mapped to the N-terminal region of the NS4 protein (**NS4a**).

Applications

1. Western blotting
2. Immunofluorescence staining
3. ELISA

Background: Hepatitis C virus (HCV) is a small (55-65 nm in size), enveloped, positive sense single-stranded RNA virus in the family *Flaviviridae* and the principal cause of parenteral non-A, non-B hepatitis. The virus genome consists of a single open reading frame of approximately 9,400 bases which encodes a single polyprotein of about 3,010 amino acids (1, 2, 3) . The polyprotein is processed by host cell and viral proteases into four structural proteins (core, envelope1 and 2, and p7) and six non-structural proteins (NS2, 3, 4a, 4b, 5a, and 5b) necessary for viral replication. NS3 serine proteinase is responsible for proteolytic processing of other non-structural proteins. **NS4a protein** (54 amino acids) forms a complex with NS3 and functions as a cofactor for NS3 protease activity.

Data Link: Swiss-Prot [HCV protein](#)

References: This antibody is described and used in the following publication.

Manabe,S. *et al.* (1994) "Production of nonstructural proteins of hepatitis C virus requires a putative viral protease encoded by N3." *Virology* **198**, 636-644 [PMID: 8291245](#)

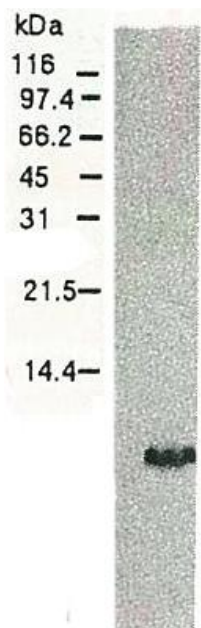


Fig.1 Western blotting of HCV NS4a protein.
Chimp liver cells were infected with recombinant vaccinia virus containing a HCV genome cDNA and were subjected to Western blotting using anti-NS4a antibody. The protein detected with this antibody is 6 kD. This small NS4 protein (NS4a) was produced from the N-terminal region of the NS4 protein.

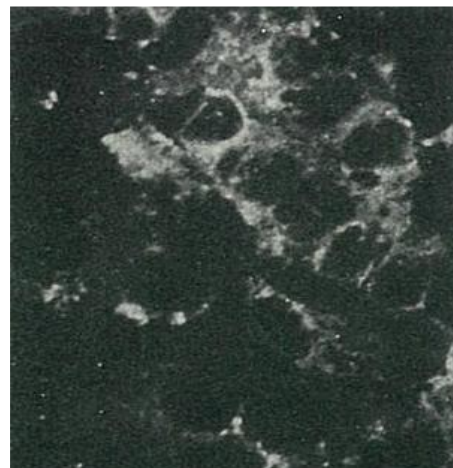


Fig.2 Detection of HCV NS4a protein by immuno-fluorescence staining.
Chimp liver cells were infected with recombinant vaccinia virus containing a HCV genome cDNA. After incubation for 48 hr, the cells were fixed with acetone and HCV NS4a protein was detected by indirect immunofluorescence staining.

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