


Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker ab18207

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Overview

Product name	Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker
Description	Rabbit polyclonal to beta III Tubulin - Neuronal Marker
Host species	Rabbit
Specificity	<p>The immunogen used for this product shares 75% homology with TUB (Tubby protein homolog, Uniprot: P50607). In western blot, we observe a specific band at ~55kDa which is not seen in KO cell lines. An additional band below this band of interest is seen at ~50kDa in both the WT and KO cells which could correspond to the protein TUB. Please note that cross-reactivity with this protein has not been confirmed experimentally. TUB is localized notably in high concentrations in the nucleoli of brain neurons with lower protein levels in the cytoplasm. Please, therefore, be aware that ICC experiments may need to be optimised. Abcam welcomes customer feedback and would appreciate any comments regarding this product and the data presented above. As an alternative antibody, we would recommend our recombinant rabbit monoclonal antibody ab52623 which has been shown to specific in both WB and ICC using KO cells.</p>
Tested applications	Suitable for: ICC/IF, Flow Cyt, IHC-P, WB
Species reactivity	Reacts with: Mouse, Rat, Human, Common marmoset, Dogfish, Catshark Predicted to work with: Pig, Rhesus monkey 
Immunogen	Synthetic peptide. This information is proprietary to Abcam and/or its suppliers. (Peptide available as ab18660)
Positive control	Flow Cyt: Neuro 2A, U-87MG cells. IHC-P: Rat cerebellum, mouse brain, adult mouse ovaries, Dogfish/Catshark tissue (snout region). ICC/IF: SK-N-SH cells, Neuro 2A, PC12 and RA induced P19 cells. Primary rat neurons/glia, DIV14. WB: WT HAP-1 whole cell lysate. Human, mouse and rat brain tissue lysate. Mouse hippocampus tissue lysate.
General notes	<p>The Life Science industry has been in the grips of a reproducibility crisis for a number of years. Abcam is leading the way in addressing this with our range of recombinant monoclonal antibodies and knockout edited cell lines for gold-standard validation. Please check that this product meets your needs before purchasing.</p> <p>If you have any questions, special requirements or concerns, please send us an inquiry and/or contact our Support team ahead of purchase. Recommended alternatives for this product can be found below, along with publications, customer reviews and Q&As</p>

Properties

Form	Liquid
Storage instructions	Shipped at 4°C. Store at +4°C short term (1-2 weeks). Upon delivery aliquot. Store at -20°C or -80°C. Avoid freeze / thaw cycle.
Storage buffer	pH: 7.40 Preservative: 0.02% Sodium azide Constituent: PBS Batches of this product that have a concentration < 1mg/ml may have BSA added as a stabilising agent. If you would like information about the formulation of a specific lot, please contact our scientific support team who will be happy to help.
Purity	Immunogen affinity purified
Clonality	Polyclonal
Isotype	IgG

Applications

The Abpromise guarantee Our **Abpromise guarantee** covers the use of ab18207 in the following tested applications. The application notes include recommended starting dilutions; optimal dilutions/concentrations should be determined by the end user.

Application	Abreviews	Notes
ICC/IF	★★★★★ (20)	Use a concentration of 1 µg/ml.
Flow Cyt	★★★★★ (3)	Use 0.01µg for 10 ⁶ cells. ab171870 - Rabbit polyclonal IgG, is suitable for use as an isotype control with this antibody. We recommend Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) preadsorbed (ab150081) secondary antibody
IHC-P	★★★★★ (15)	1/2000. Perform heat mediated antigen retrieval before commencing with IHC staining protocol.
WB	★★★★★ (10)	Use a concentration of 1 µg/ml. Detects a band of approximately 50-55 kDa (predicted molecular weight: 50 kDa).

Target

Function	Tubulin is the major constituent of microtubules. It binds two moles of GTP, one at an exchangeable site on the beta chain and one at a non-exchangeable site on the alpha-chain. TUBB3 plays a critical role in proper axon guidance and maintenance.
Tissue specificity	Expression is primarily restricted to central and peripheral nervous system.
Involvement in disease	Defects in TUBB3 are the cause of congenital fibrosis of extraocular muscles type 3A (CFEOM3A) [MIM:600638]. A congenital ocular motility disorder marked by restrictive ophthalmoplegia affecting extraocular muscles innervated by the oculomotor and/or trochlear nerves. It is clinically characterized by anchoring of the eyes in downward gaze, ptosis, and

backward tilt of the head. Congenital fibrosis of extraocular muscles type 3 presents as a non-progressive, autosomal dominant disorder with variable expression. Patients may be bilaterally or unilaterally affected, and their oculo-motility defects range from complete ophthalmoplegia (with the eyes fixed in a hypo- and exotropic position), to mild asymptomatic restrictions of ocular movement. Ptosis, refractive error, amblyopia, and compensatory head positions are associated with the more severe forms of the disorder. In some cases the ocular phenotype is accompanied by additional features including developmental delay, corpus callosum agenesis, basal ganglia dysmorphism, facial weakness, polyneuropathy.

Sequence similarities

Belongs to the tubulin family.

Domain

The highly acidic C-terminal region may bind cations such as calcium.

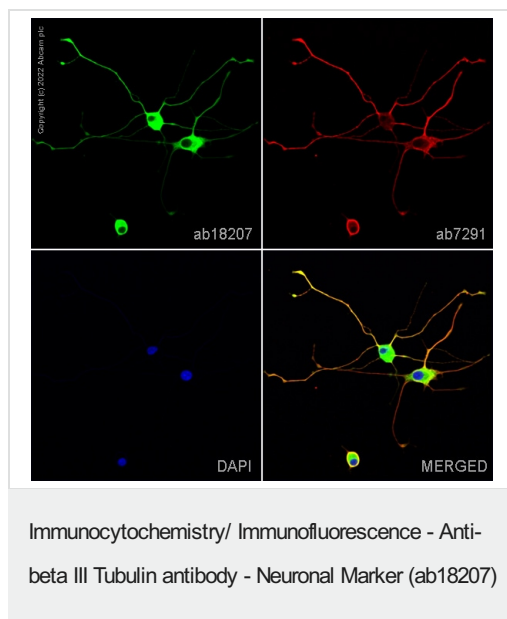
Post-translational modifications

Some glutamate residues at the C-terminus are polyglutamylated. This modification occurs exclusively on glutamate residues and results in polyglutamate chains on the gamma-carboxyl group. Also monoglycylated but not polyglycylated due to the absence of functional TLL10 in human. Monoglycylation is mainly limited to tubulin incorporated into axonemes (cilia and flagella) whereas glutamylation is prevalent in neuronal cells, centrioles, axonemes, and the mitotic spindle. Both modifications can coexist on the same protein on adjacent residues, and lowering glycylation levels increases polyglutamylated, and reciprocally. The precise function of such modifications is still unclear but they regulate the assembly and dynamics of axonemal microtubules.

Cellular localization

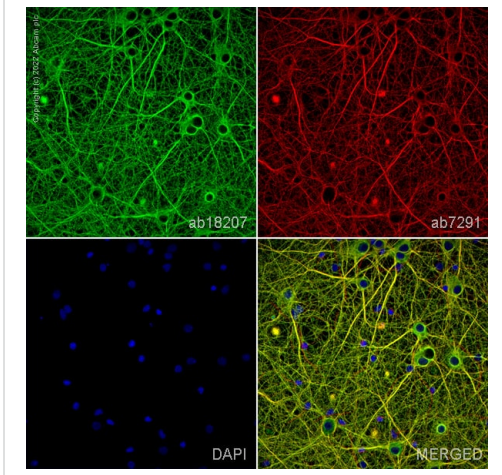
Cytoplasm > cytoskeleton.

Images



ab18207 staining beta III Tubulin in PC12 cells. The cells were fixed with 100% methanol (5 min), permeabilized with 0.1% PBS-Tween for 5 minutes and then blocked with 1% BSA/10% normal goat serum/0.3M glycine in 0.1%PBS-Tween for 1h. The cells were then incubated overnight at 4°C with ab18207 at 1µg/ml and **ab7291**, Mouse monoclonal [DM1A] to alpha Tubulin - Loading Control. Cells were then incubated with **ab150081**, Goat polyclonal Secondary Antibody to Rabbit IgG - H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488), pre-adsorbed at 1/1000 dilution (shown in green) and **ab150120**, Goat polyclonal Secondary Antibody to Mouse IgG - H&L (Alexa Fluor® 594), pre-adsorbed at 1/1000 dilution (shown in pseudocolour red). Nuclear DNA was labelled with DAPI (shown in blue).

Image was acquired with a confocal microscope (Leica-Microsystems TCS SP8) and a single confocal section is shown.

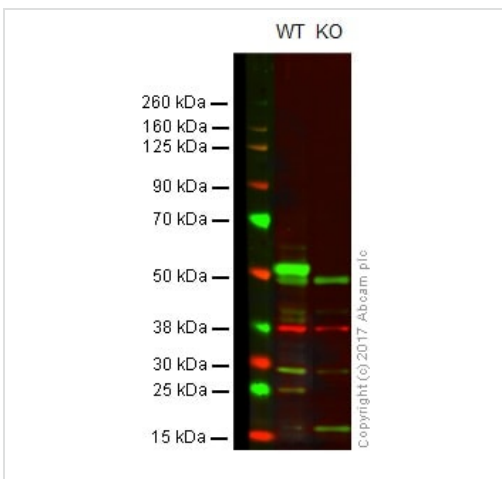


Immunocytochemistry/ Immunofluorescence - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

ab18207 staining beta III Tubulin in primary rat neurons/glia, DIV14 (prepared from E18 rat hippocampal brain area, obtained from Transnetyx Tissue by BrainBits, LLC, cat.no. SDHEP) cells. The cells were fixed with 100% methanol (5 min), permeabilized with 0.1% PBS-Tween for 5 minutes and then blocked with 1% BSA/10% normal goat serum/0.3M glycine in 0.1%PBS-Tween for 1h. The cells were then incubated overnight at 4°C with ab18207 at 1µg/ml and **ab7291**, Mouse monoclonal [DM1A] to alpha Tubulin - Loading Control. Cells were then incubated with **ab150081**, Goat polyclonal Secondary Antibody to Rabbit IgG - H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488), pre-adsorbed at 1/1000 dilution (shown in green) and **ab150120**, Goat polyclonal Secondary Antibody to Mouse IgG - H&L (Alexa Fluor® 594), pre-adsorbed at 1/1000 dilution (shown in pseudocolour red). Nuclear DNA was labelled with DAPI (shown in blue).

Also suitable in cells fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (10 min).

Image was acquired with a high-content analyser (Operetta CLS, Perkin Elmer) and a maximum intensity projection of confocal sections is shown.



Western blot - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

Lane 1: Wild-type HAP1 whole cell lysate (20 µg)

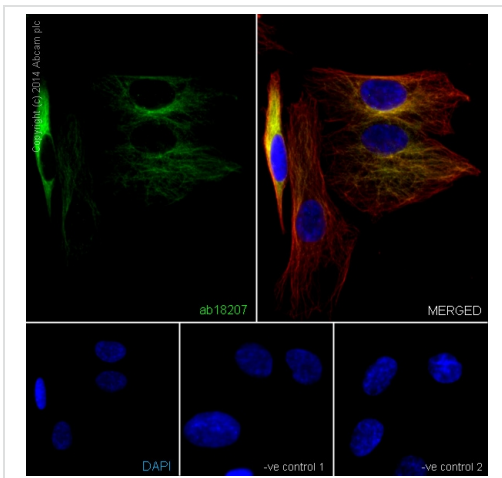
Lane 2: Beta III Tubulin knockout HAP1 whole cell lysate (20 µg)

Lanes 1 - 2: Merged signal (red and green). Green - ab18207 observed at 55 kDa. Red - loading control, **ab9484**, observed at 37 kDa.

ab18207 was shown to recognize beta III Tubulin in wild-type HAP1 cells as signal was lost in beta III Tubulin knockout cells. An additional cross-reactive band at 50 kDa was observed in wild-type and knockout cells. Due to the immunogen's homology with TUB (Tubby protein homolog, Uniprot: P50607), this lower band could correspond to the TUB protein. Please note that cross-reactivity with this protein has not been confirmed experimentally.

Wild-type and beta III Tubulin knockout samples were subjected to SDS-PAGE. Ab18207 and **ab9484** (Mouse anti-GAPDH loading control) were incubated overnight at 4°C at 1 µg/ml and 1/20000 dilution respectively. Blots were developed with Goat anti-Rabbit

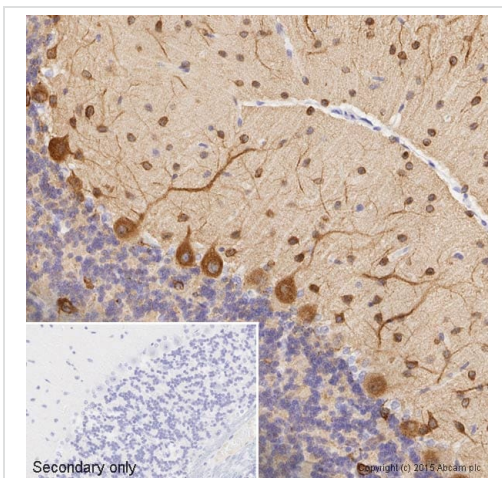
IgG H&L (IRDye® 800CW) preabsorbed **ab216773** and Goat anti-Mouse IgG H&L (IRDye® 680RD) preabsorbed **ab216776** secondary antibodies at 1/20000 dilution for 1 hour at room temperature



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ab18207 staining beta III Tubulin in SK-N-SH (Human neuroblastoma cell line) cells. The cells were fixed with 100% methanol (5min) and then blocked in 1% BSA/10% normal goat serum/0.3M glycine in 0.1%PBS-Tween for 1h. The cells were then incubated with ab18207 at 1µg/ml and **ab7291** at 1µg/ml overnight at +4°C, followed by a further incubation at room temperature for 1h with a **Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) preadsorbed (ab150081) secondary antibody** at 2 µg/ml (shown in green) and **Goat Anti-Mouse IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 594) (ab150120) secondary antibody** at 2 µg/ml (shown in pseudo color red). Nuclear DNA was labelled in blue with DAPI.

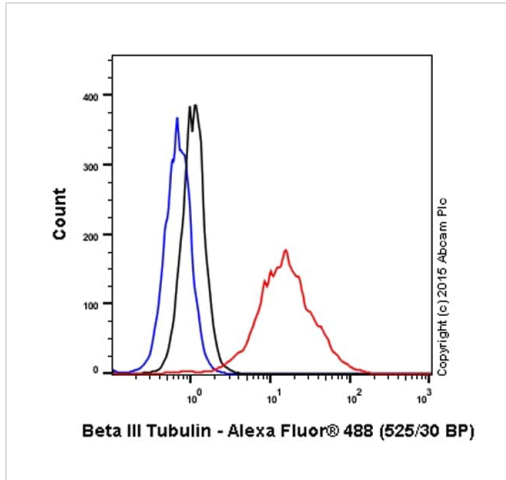
Negative controls: 1– Rabbit primary and anti-mouse secondary antibody; 2 – Mouse primary antibody and anti-rabbit secondary antibody. Controls 1 and 2 indicate that there is no unspecific reaction between primary and secondary antibodies used.



Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

IHC image of ab18207 staining beta III Tubulin in rat cerebellum formalin fixed paraffin embedded tissue sections, performed on a Leica Bond. The section was pre-treated using heat mediated antigen retrieval with sodium citrate buffer (pH6, epitope retrieval solution 1) for 20 mins. The section was then incubated with ab18207, 1:2000 dilution, for 15 mins at room temperature and detected using an HRP conjugated compact polymer system. DAB was used as the chromogen. The section was then counterstained with haematoxylin and mounted with DPX. No primary antibody was used in the secondary only control (shown on the inset).

For other IHC staining systems (automated and non-automated) customers should optimize variable parameters such as antigen retrieval conditions, primary antibody concentration and antibody incubation times.

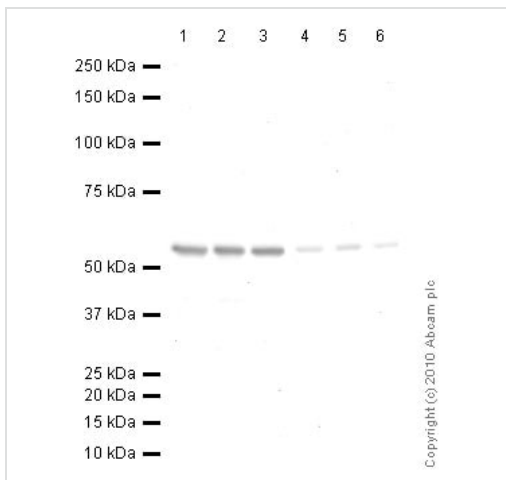


Flow Cytometry - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

Overlay histogram showing U-87MG (Human glioblastoma-astrocytoma epithelial cell line) cells stained with ab18207 (red line). The cells were fixed with 80% methanol (5 min) and then permeabilized with 0.1% PBS-Triton X-100 for 20 min. The cells were then incubated in 1x PBS / 10% normal goat serum / 0.3M glycine to block non-specific protein-protein interactions followed by the antibody (ab18207, 0.01 $\mu\text{g}/1 \times 10^6$) for 30 min at 22°C. The secondary antibody used was **Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) preadsorbed (ab150081)** at 1/4000 dilution for 30 min at 22°C. Isotype control antibody (black line) was rabbit IgG (polyclonal) (**ab171870**, 0.01 $\mu\text{g}/1 \times 10^6$ cells) used under the same conditions. Unlabelled sample (blue line) was also used as a control.

Acquisition of >5,000 events were collected using a 20mW Argon ion laser (488nm) and 525/30 bandpass filter.

This antibody gave a positive signal in U-87MG cells fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde (10 min)/permeabilized with 0.1% PBS-Triton X-100 for 20 min used under the same conditions.



Western blot - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

All lanes : Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207) at 1 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$

Lane 1 : Human brain tissue lysate - total protein (**ab29466**)

Lane 2 : Brain (Mouse) Tissue Lysate

Lane 3 : Brain (Rat) Tissue Lysate

Lane 4 : Human brain tissue lysate - total protein (**ab29466**) with Human beta III Tubulin peptide (**ab18660**) at 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$

Lane 5 : Brain (Mouse) Tissue Lysate with Human beta III Tubulin peptide (**ab18660**) at 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$

Lane 6 : Brain (Rat) Tissue Lysate with Human beta III Tubulin peptide (**ab18660**) at 2 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$

Lysates/proteins at 10 μg per lane.

Secondary

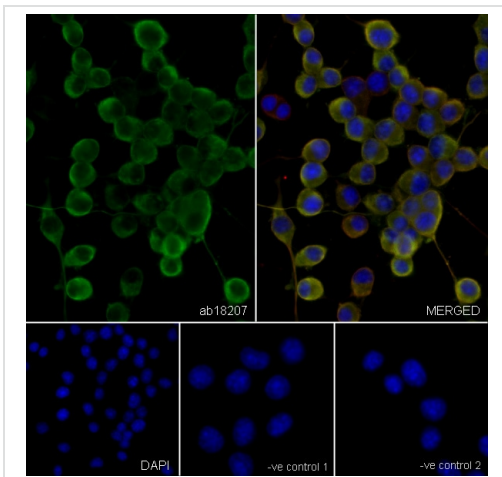
All lanes : Goat polyclonal to Rabbit IgG - H&L - Pre-Adsorbed (HRP) at 1/3000 dilution

Performed under reducing conditions.

Predicted band size: 50 kDa

Observed band size: 55 kDa

Exposure time: 30 seconds



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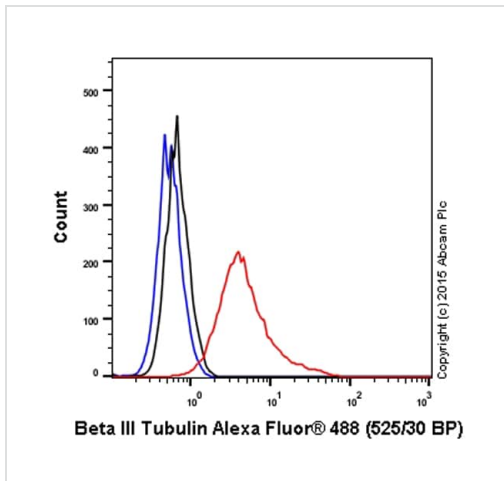
ab18207 staining beta III Tubulin in Neuro-2a cells. The cells were fixed with 100% methanol (5min) and then blocked in 1% BSA/10% normal goat serum/0.3M glycine in 0.1%PBS-Tween for 1h. The cells were then incubated with ab18207 at 1µg/ml and **ab7291** at 1µg/ml overnight at +4°C, followed by a further incubation at room temperature for 1h with a **Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) preadsorbed (ab150081) secondary antibody** at 2 µg/ml (shown in green) and **Goat Anti-Mouse IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 594) (ab150120) secondary antibody** at 2 µg/ml (shown in pseudo color red). Nuclear DNA was labelled in blue with DAPI. Negative controls: 1– Rabbit primary and anti-mouse secondary antibody; 2 – Mouse primary antibody and anti-rabbit secondary antibody. Controls 1 and 2 indicate that there is no unspecific reaction between primary and secondary antibodies used.



Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

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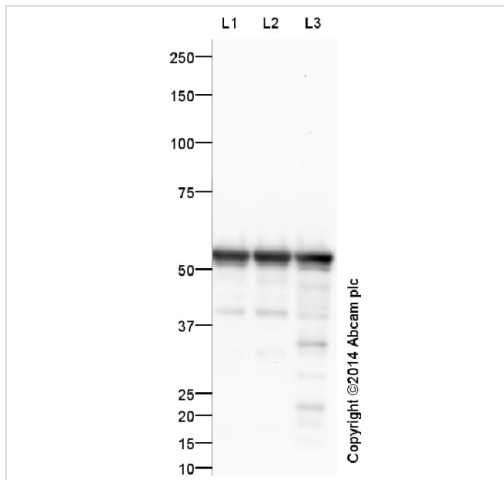
ab18207 at 1/2000 staining mouse brain tissue sections by IHC-P. The tissue was formaldehyde fixed and an enzymatic antigen retrieval step was performed prior to incubation with the antibody for 16 hours. A biotinylated goat anti-rabbit IgG was used as the secondary.



Flow Cytometry - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

Overlay histogram showing Neuro 2A cells stained with ab18207 (red line). The cells were fixed with 80% methanol (5 min) and then permeabilized with 0.1% PBS-Triton X-100 for 20 min. The cells were then incubated in 1x PBS / 10% normal goat serum / 0.3M glycine to block non-specific protein-protein interactions followed by the antibody (ab18207, 0.01 μ g/1x10⁶) for 30 min at 22°C. The secondary antibody used was **Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (Alexa Fluor® 488) preadsorbed (ab150081)** at 1/4000 dilution for 30 min at 22°C. Isotype control antibody (black line) was rabbit IgG (polyclonal) (**ab171870**, 0.01 μ g/1x10⁶ cells) used under the same conditions. Unlabelled sample (blue line) was also used as a control.

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All lanes : Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207) at 1 μ g/ml

Lane 1 : Brain (Mouse) Tissue Lysate

Lane 2 : Brain (Rat) Tissue Lysate

Lane 3 : Human brain tissue lysate - total protein (**ab29466**)

Lysates/proteins at 10 μ g per lane.

Secondary

All lanes : Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) (**ab97051**) at 1/50000 dilution

Developed using the ECL technique.

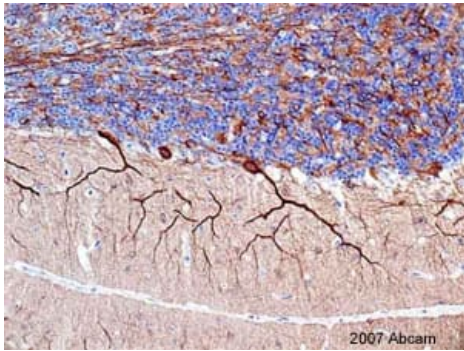
Performed under reducing conditions.

Predicted band size: 50 kDa

Observed band size: 55 kDa

Exposure time: 30 seconds

This blot was produced using a 4-12% Bis-tris gel under the MOPS buffer system. The gel was run at 200V for 50 minutes before being transferred onto a Nitrocellulose membrane at 30V for 70 minutes. The membrane was then blocked for an hour using 2% Bovine Serum Albumin before being incubated with ab18207 overnight at 4°C. Antibody binding was detected using **Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG H&L (HRP) (ab97051) secondary antibody**, and visualised using ECL development solution **ab133406**



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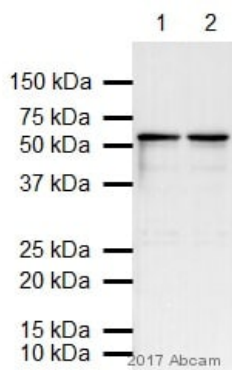
ab18207 at 1/2000 staining rat cerebellum tissue sections by Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections). The tissue was formaldehyde fixed and a heat mediated antigen retrieval step was performed prior to incubation with the antibody for 16 hours. A biotinylated goat polyclonal antibody was used as the secondary.



Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

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Immunohistochemical staining (Formaldehyde/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) for Neuron specific beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207) on Dogfish/Catshark Tissue sections (head: snout region). Antigen retrieval step: Heat mediated. Blocking step: 1% BSA for 10 mins at RT. Primary Antibody used at 1/2000 incubated for 2 hours at RT. Secondary Antibody: Biotin labelled goat anti rabbit IgG (1/300).



Western blot - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody -
Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

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All lanes : Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207) at 1/1000 dilution

All lanes : Mouse hippocampus tissue lysate

Lysates/proteins at 8 µg per lane.

Secondary

All lanes : Goat anti-rabbit IgG (H&L) at 1/5000 dilution

Predicted band size: 50 kDa

Observed band size: 55 kDa

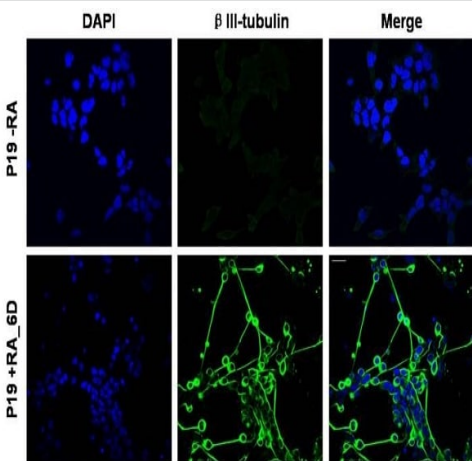
Exposure time: 10 seconds

Differential expression of Dnmt1, Dnmt3a, and Dnmt3b during RA induced neuronal differentiation of P19 cells

Mouse P19 cells either left untreated (top panel) or RA treated for initial 2 days and further cultured for 4 days without RA (6 days, bottom panel) were immunostained with neuron specific β-III tubulin antibody and nuclei were stained using DAPI.

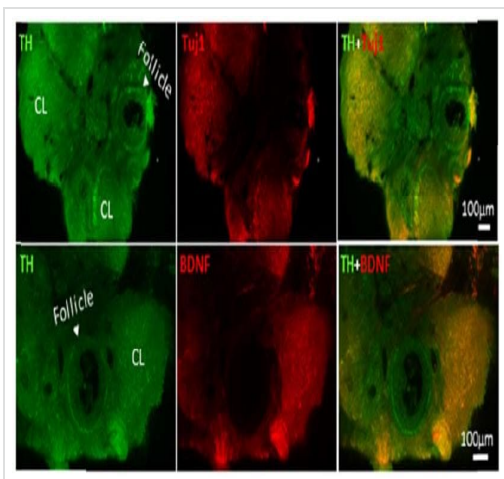
In order to confirm the neuronal morphology, the cells were stained for neuron specific beta III-tubulin (ab18207). RA induced P19 cells showed immunoreactivity against βIII-tubulin, indicating a neuronal phenotype. In contrast, undifferentiated P19 cells were βIII-tubulin negative.

(After Figure 1A of Sheikh et al)



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Sheikh, MA et al PLoS One. 2013;8(2):e55826. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0055826. Epub 2013 Feb 7
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Immunohistochemical analysis of adult mice ovaries undergone Clarity processing staining tyrosine hydroxylase (TH), Beta III Tubulin (Tuj1) with ab18207, and brain derived neurotrophic factor (BDNF) with **ab72439**. Positive staining of Tuj1 and BDNF is evident in the theca cells and corpus luteum.

Immunohistochemistry (Formalin/PFA-fixed paraffin-embedded sections) - Anti-beta III Tubulin antibody - Neuronal Marker (ab18207)

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