

Monoclonal Anti-Botulinum Neurotoxin Subtype A1, Clone A4H2.8G (produced *in vitro*)

Catalog No. NR-20808

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Product Description:

Antibody Class: IgG2ak

Mouse monoclonal antibody prepared against the subtype A1 neurotoxin of *Clostridium botulinum* (*C. botulinum*) was purified from clone A4H2.8G hybridoma supernatant by protein G affinity chromatography. The B cell hybridoma was generated by the fusion of NSO mouse myeloma cells with splenocytes from mice immunized by intraperitoneal and intravenous injection with *C. botulinum* neurotoxin subtype A1 (BoNT/A1) toxin and toxoid.¹

C. botulinum are anaerobic Gram positive spore-forming bacteria which produce neurotoxins categorized serologically into seven types, A through G.² Four of the seven serotypes cause human botulism with the vast majority of cases due to serotypes A and B.³ BoNT/A1 is a zinc-binding metalloprotease (holotoxin) that is endogenously cleaved into a heavy (~ 100 kDa) and a light chain (~ 50 kDa) that are held together by a reducible disulfide bond.⁴

Material Provided:

Each vial of NR-20808 contains approximately 100 µL of purified monoclonal antibody in PBS. The concentration, expressed as mg per mL, is shown on the Certificate of Analysis.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-20808 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic vials and is provided frozen on dry ice. The product should be stored at -20°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

Functional Activity:

NR-20808 reacts with the light chain of botulinum neurotoxin type A in western blot assays. The antibody is also reported to be useful for ELISA, RIA, flow cytometry, immunocytochemistry, immunohistochemistry, and immunoprecipitation.¹

Biosafety Level: 1

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following publication: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Institutes of Health. Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories. 5th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2007; see www.cdc.gov/od/ohs/biosfty/bmb15/bmb15toc.htm.

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