

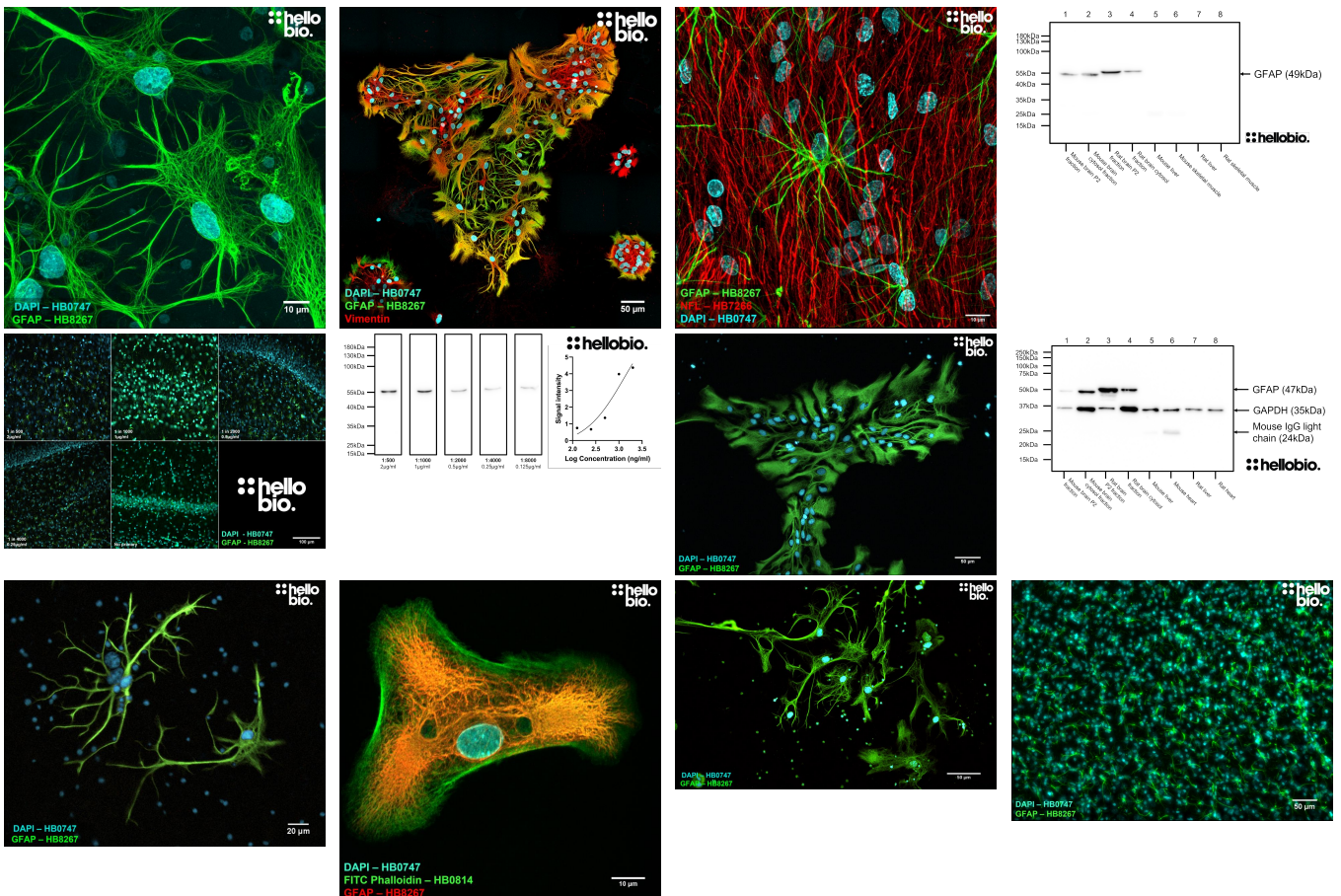
DATASHEET

Anti-GFAP antibody ValidAb™

Product overview

Name	Anti-GFAP antibody ValidAb™
Cat No	HB8267
Host	Mouse
Clonality	Monoclonal
Target	GFAP
Description	Antibody to GFAP - cytoskeletal protein used as an astrocyte marker. Part of the ValidAb™ range of highly validated, data-rich antibodies.

Validation data



Product information

Immunogen	GFAP purified from porcine spinal cord
Clone number	GA-5
Isotype	IgG1
Purification	Protein A affinity chromatography
Concentration	1mg/ml
Formulation	Lyophilised. When reconstituted contains PBS with 15mM sodium azide and 1% recombinant albumin

Predicted species reactivity	Human, Mouse, Rat, Pig
Tested species reactivity	Mouse, Rat

Tested applications

Applications	ICC, WB, IHC(IF)
Western blot optimal concentration	1µg/ml (1:1000) as measured in rat brain cytosol
IHC(IF) optimal concentration	1µg/ml (1:1000) as measured in free-floating paraformaldehyde fixed hippocampal sections
ICC optimal concentration	1µg/ml (1:1000) as measured in PFA fixed mixed neuronal cultures.
Positive control	GFAP is highly expressed in neural tissues containing astrocytes. It is not widely expressed in cell lines, however it is in specific lines such as U-87 MG.
Negative control	Most non-neural tissues. Please note that GFAP expression has been reported in a subset of pancreatic and hepatic cells in rats and mice kidney cells. It is generally poorly expressed in common cell lines such as HeLa or HEK293.
Open data link	Please follow this link to OSF

Target information

Other names	glial fibrillary acidic protein, ALXDRD
UniProt ID	P14136
Gene name	GFAP
NCBI full gene name	glial fibrillary acidic protein
Entrez gene ID	2670
Amino acids	432 (49.9kDa)
Isoforms	GFAP has three confirmed and 21 potential isoforms. Isoform 1 (GFAP alpha): canonical, 49.9kDa; Isoform 2 (GFAP epsilon): amino acid changes between positions 391 and 432, 49.5kDa; Isoform 3 (GFAP kappa): amino acid changes between positions 391 and 432, 50.3kDa
Expression	GFAP is primarily expressed within astrocytes of the central nervous system alongside also expressing in non-myelinating Schwann cells of the peripheral nervous system and satellite cells of the peripheral ganglia. GFAP expression has also been reported in Leydig cells of the testis alongside stellate cells from the pancreas and liver in rats.
Subcellular expression	GFAP is a key cytoskeletal component therefore is widely expressed as bundles of GFAP positive fibres.
Processing	Following translation no processing is required for GFAP to reach its active conformation.
Post translational modifications	GFAP is subjected to numerous post-translational modifications including 9 phosphorylation sites which are the target of AURKB and ROCK1 alongside 5 separate citrullination sites.
Homology (compared to human)	Rat, mouse and human GFAP proteins have a 90% similarity score in a direct BLAST comparison.
Similar proteins	Other type III intermediate filament proteins have homology with GFAP including Vimentin (58%), Desmin (59%) and Peripherin (56%) when assessed using BLAST.

Storage & Handling

Storage instructions	-20°C then use reconstitution advice
Handling	Upon receipt store at either -20°C or -80°C. When ready to use there are three options:

- Reconstitute with 100µl dH₂O and store at 4°C
- Reconstitue with 50µl dH₂O and 50µl glycerol then store at -20°C
- Reconstitue with 100µl dH₂O, aliquot then snap freeze and store at -80°C

For more information [read our guide](#) on the best care for your product. Take care when opening as the precipitate is extremely light and can easily be lost if disturbed. When reconstituting make sure that the antibody is thoroughly dissolved by pipetting up and down before giving the antibody a brief spin at 10,000g to make sure that all material is recovered and at the bottom of the tube.

Shipping conditions	Shipped at ambient temperature in a lyophilised format
Important	This product is for RESEARCH USE ONLY and is not intended for therapeutic or diagnostic use. Not for human or veterinary use

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