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Product Information



Immunofluorescence Procedure

Product Description

A large number of the Prestige Antibodies® have been used in subcellular localization studies by immunofluorescence (IF) staining of three cell lines: A-431, U-2 OS, and U-251MG. Each cell line is stained with the Prestige Antibody, two organelle probes specific for the endoplasmic reticulum and microtubules, as well as counterstained with the nuclear probe DAPI.

Preparation Instructions

 $1 \times PBS - 8.1 \text{ mM Na}_2HPO_4$, 1.5 mM KH₂PO₄, 137 mM NaCl, and 2.7 mM KCl, pH 7.2

Sample preparation – All washes are performed at room temperature (RT) on a shaker.

- 1. A glass-bottomed, multiwell plate is coated with fibronectin (12.5 μ g/ml) for 1 hour at room temperature.
- Cells are seeded (10,000–15,000 cells per well) and incubated at 37 °C in humidified air with 5.2% CO₂ for 4 hours.

Procedure

Primary Antibodies:

- Prestige Antibody (working concentration of 1–4 μg/ml)
 Note: The dilution of the primary antibody is a guideline only. Optimal dilution must be determined by the user.
- Chicken anti-Calreticulin polyclonal antibody
- Mouse anti-α-Tubulin monoclonal antibody

Secondary Antibodies:

- anti-mouse IgG–Alexa Fluor[®] 555 produced in goat
- anti-chicken IgG-Alexa Fluor 647 produced in goat
- anti-rabbit IgG–Alexa Fluor 488 produced in goat

<u>Immunostaining</u>

- Growth medium is removed and the cells are washed in 1x PBS.
- The cells are fixed for 15 minutes in ice cold, 4% paraformaldehyde, pH 7.2–7.3, in growth medium supplemented with 10 % fetal bovine serum (FBS).
- 3. The cells are permeabilized 3 times for 5 minutes each, with 0.1% TRITON® X-100 in 1× PBS.
- The cells are washed with 1× PBS and incubated overnight at 4 °C with the primary antibodies in 1× PBS supplemented with 4% FBS.
- 5. The following day the cells are washed 4 times for 10 minutes each, with 1× PBS and incubated for 1.5 hours at room temperature with the secondary antibodies in 1× PBS supplemented with 4% FBS. Note: The secondary antibodies are fluorescently labeled and thus light sensitive. The sample should be kept in dim light in this as well as the following steps.
- 6. The cells are counterstained for 4 minutes with the nuclear stain DAPI (0.6 μ M in 1× PBS).
- The cells are washed 4 times for 10 minutes each, with 1× PBS and then mounted in glycerol with 10% 10× PBS.

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