



# Labeled Goat Anti-Human IgG and IgM Antibodies

# Quick Facts

# Storage upon receipt:

4°0

Protect from light

Abs/Em: See Table 1

Working Concentrations: 1–10 μg/mL

## Introduction

Molecular Probes' goat anti-human IgG conjugates (Table 1) are prepared from affinity-purified antibodies that react with human IgG heavy chains and all classes of human immunoglobulin light chains. To minimize cross-reactivity, the goat anti-human IgG antibodies have been adsorbed against mouse, rabbit and bovine sera prior to labeling.

Molecular Probes' goat anti-human IgM conjugates (Table 1) are prepared from antibodies purified by human IgM-affinity chromatography. The antibodies react specifically with IgM heavy chains (µ chains) and not with immunoglobulin light chains. To minimize cross-reactivity, the goat

**Table 1.** Molecular Probes' labeled goat anti-human IgG and IgM antibodies.

Label	Abs*	Em*	Goat anti– human IgG †	Goat anti– human IgM ‡
DSB-XTM biotin	NA	NA	D-20700	
Alexa Fluor® 488	495	519	A-11013	A-21215
Alexa Fluor <sup>®</sup> 546	556	573	A-21089	
Alexa Fluor® 555	555	565	A-21433	
Alexa Fluor <sup>®</sup> 568	578	603	A-21090	
Alexa Fluor® 594	590	617	A-11014	A-21216
Alexa Fluor <sup>®</sup> 633	632	647	A-21091	
Alexa Fluor® 647	650	668	A-21445	A-21249
Alexa Fluor® 660	663	690	A-21092	

<sup>\*</sup> Approximate absorption (Abs) and fluorescence emission (Em) maxima in nm for conjugates. † The goat anti-human IgG has been adsorbed against mouse, rabbit and bovine sera to minimize cross-reactivity. ‡ The goat anti-human IgM has been adsorbed against human IgG and IgA.

anti-human IgM antibodies have been adsorbed against human IgG prior to labeling.

In addition to the antibodies listed in this Product Information sheet, Molecular Probes prepares fluorescent conjugates of many other species-specific anti–IgG antibodies, as well as conjugates of avidin, streptavidin, NeutrAvidin<sup>TM</sup> biotin-binding protein and protein A. Please visit our Web site at www.probes.com or contact our Technical Assistance Department for more information about these products.

## Materials

#### **Contents**

The goat anti–human IgG and the goat anti–human IgM antibody conjugates are supplied in 0.1 M sodium phosphate, 0.1 M NaCl, pH 7.5, containing 5 mM sodium azide. The goat anti–human IgG antibody conjugates are supplied as a solution in unit sizes of 0.5 mL at 2 mg/mL, and the goat anti–mouse IgM conjugates are supplied as a solution in unit sizes of 250  $\mu L$  at 2 mg/mL.

The degree of labeling for each conjugate is typically 2–8 fluorophore or biotin molecules per IgG molecule; the exact degree of labeling is indicated on the product label. At the time of preparation, the products are certified to be free of unconjugated label and are tested in a cytological experiment to ensure low nonspecific staining.

#### Storage

When these products are stored undiluted at 4°C, they are stable for at least three months., For longer storage, divide the solution into single-use aliquots and freeze at –20°C. Frozen aliquots are stable for at least six months. PROTECT FROM LIGHT. AVOID REPEATED FREEZING AND THAWING.

## **Application**

It is a good practice to centrifuge the protein conjugate solution briefly in a microcentrifuge before use; only the supernatant should then be added to the experiment. This step will eliminate any protein aggregates that may have formed during storage, thereby reducing nonspecific background staining.

Because staining protocols vary with application, the appropriate dilution of antibody should be determined empirically. For these labeled antibodies, a final concentration of 1–10  $\mu$ g/mL should be satisfactory for most immunohistochemical applications.<sup>1</sup>

## References

1. Short Protocols in Molecular Biology, 2nd Edition, F.M. Ausubel et al., Eds., John Wiley and Sons (1992) pp. 14-24-14-30.

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