



## PE (PE001): sc-53749

### BACKGROUND

Phycoerythrin (PE) is a red protein isolated from cyanobacteria, red algae and cryptomonads. PE is from the light-harvesting phycobiliprotein family of water-soluble proteins that capture light energy which is then passed on to chlorophylls during photosynthesis. Phycobiliproteins consist of a complex between proteins and covalently bound phycobilins functioning as chromophores. PE has strong absorption peak around 566 nm, and a strong emission peak at about 575 nm. In algae, PE works as an accessory pigment that captures the energy from light and passes it on to the main light-absorbing chlorophyll pigments that carry out photosynthesis. PE is a useful tool in the laboratory as a fluorescence-based indicator to visualize the presence of cyanobacteria and for labeling antibodies in immunofluorescence, among other applications.

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### SOURCE

PE (PE001) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against phycoerythrin.

### PRODUCT

Each vial contains 100 µg IgG<sub>1</sub> in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

### STORAGE

Store at 4° C, \*\*DO NOT FREEZE\*\*. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

### APPLICATIONS

PE (PE001) is recommended for detection of phycoerythrin by flow cytometry (1 µg per 1 x 10<sup>6</sup> cells).

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### RESEARCH USE

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.

### PROTOCOLS

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