

# Aflatoxin (AFC-13): sc-69863

## BACKGROUND

Aflatoxin is a naturally occurring mycotoxin produced by two types of mold: *Aspergillus flavus* and *Aspergillus parasiticus*. *Aspergillus flavus* is common and most often found when certain grains are grown under stressful conditions such as drought. The mold occurs in soil, decaying vegetation and in hay and grains undergoing microbiological deterioration. It invades all types of organic substrates whenever and wherever the conditions are favorable for growth, specifically high moisture content and high temperature. At least 13 different types of Aflatoxin are produced in nature and Aflatoxin B1 is considered the most toxic. While the presence of *Aspergillus flavus* does not necessarily indicate harmful levels of Aflatoxin, it is a warning that Aflatoxin may be produced.

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## SOURCE

Aflatoxin (AFC-13) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against Aflatoxin of *Aspergillus flavus* origin.

## PRODUCT

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG<sub>1</sub> lambda light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

## APPLICATIONS

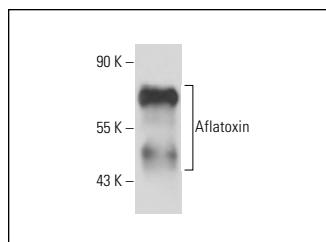
Aflatoxin (AFC-13) is recommended for detection of Aflatoxin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation [1-2 µg per 100-500 µg of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)] and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution 1:30, dilution range 1:30-1:3000).

Molecular Weight of Aflatoxin: 55 kDa.

## RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Western Blotting: use m-IgGλ BP-HRP: sc-516132 or m-IgGλ BP-HRP (Cruz Marker): sc-516132-CM (dilution range: 1:1000-1:10000), Cruz Marker™ Molecular Weight Standards: sc-2035, UltraCruz® Blocking Reagent: sc-516214 and Western Blotting Luminol Reagent: sc-2048. 2) Immunoprecipitation: use Protein A/G PLUS-Agarose: sc-2003 (0.5 ml agarose/2.0 ml).

## DATA



Aflatoxin (AFC-13): sc-69863. Western blot analysis of recombinant Aflatoxin.

## SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS

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## STORAGE

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

## RESEARCH USE

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

## PROTOCOLS

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