

## Dopamine (8.F.83): sc-70987

### BACKGROUND

Dopamine (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>(OH)<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>) is a catecholamine neurotransmitter expressed mainly in the brain that activates dopamine receptors. Dopamine is also a neurohormone released by the hypothalamus. Its chemical name is 4-(2-aminoethyl)benzene-1,2-diol and its main function is to inhibit the release of prolactin from the anterior lobe of the pituitary. Dopamine can be used as a sympathomimetic drug because it produces effects such as increased heart rate and blood pressure. Changes in Dopamine concentration within the brain may explain symptoms observed in individuals with Schizophrenia, and a reduction in its concentration is associated with Parkinson's disease.

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### SOURCE

Dopamine (8.F.83) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against dopamine conjugated with BSA.

### 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.

### APPLICATIONS

Dopamine (8.F.83) is recommended for detection of catecholamine of mouse, rat and human origin by immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500).

### 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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