# NF-L (NR4): sc-58560



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#### **BACKGROUND**

Neurofilament-L (NF-L), for neurofilament light polypeptide, a member of the intermediate filament family, is a major component of neuronal cytoskeletons. Neurofilaments are dynamic structures; they contain phosphorylation sites for a large number of protein kinases, including protein kinase A, protein kinase C, cyclin-dependent kinase 5, extracellular signal regulated kinase, glycogen synthase kinase-3 and stress-activated protein kinase  $\gamma$ . In addition to their role in the control of axon caliber, neurofilaments may affect other cytoskeletal elements, such as microtubules and Actin filaments. Changes in neurofilament phosphorylation or metabolism are frequently observed in neurodegenerative diseases, including amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease.

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# **CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: NEFL (human) mapping to 8p21.2; Nefl (mouse) mapping to 14 D1.

#### **SOURCE**

NF-L (NR4) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against NF-L of porcine origin.

#### **PRODUCT**

Each vial contains 200  $\mu g \ lgG_1$  kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

### **RESEARCH USE**

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

#### **APPLICATIONS**

NF-L (NR4) is recommended for detection of NF-L of mouse, rat and human origin by immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500); non cross-reactive with other intermediate filament proteins.

NF-L (NR4) is also recommended for detection of NF-L in additional species, including porcine.

Suitable for use as control antibody for NF-L siRNA (h): sc-36048, NF-L siRNA (m): sc-36049, NF-L shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-36048-SH, NF-L shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-36049-SH, NF-L shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-36048-V and NF-L shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-36049-V.

Molecular Weight of NF-L: 68 kDa.

Positive Controls: rat cerebellum extract: sc-2398, SK-N-SH cell lysate: sc-2410 or SH-SY5Y cell lysate: sc-3812.

## **RECOMMENDED SUPPORT REAGENTS**

To ensure optimal results, the following support reagents are recommended: 1) Immunofluorescence: use m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-FITC: sc-516140 or m-lgG $\kappa$  BP-PE: sc-516141 (dilution range: 1:50-1:200) with UltraCruz $^{\circ}$  Mounting Medium: sc-24941or UltraCruz $^{\circ}$  Hard-set Mounting Medium: sc-359850.

#### **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.

#### **PROTOCOLS**

See our web site at www.scbt.com for detailed protocols and support products.