

**Desmin Antibody**  
**Purified Mouse Monoclonal Antibody**  
**Catalog # AO1075a****Specification**

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**Desmin Antibody - Product Information**

Application	<b>WB, IHC</b>
Primary Accession	<a href="#">P17661</a>
Reactivity	<b>Human</b>
Host	<b>Mouse</b>
Clonality	<b>Monoclonal</b>
Isotype	<b>IgG1</b>

**Description**

Desmin (DES), with 470-amino acid protein (about 52kDa), belongs to the intermediate filament family and Desmin is class III intermediate filaments found in muscle cells. Homopolymers of Desmin form a stable intracytoplasmic filamentous network connecting myofibrils to each other and to the plasma membrane. Mutations in Desmin are associated with desmin-related myopathy, a familial cardiac and skeletal myopathy (CSM), and with distal myopathies. Desmin is also expressed in smooth muscle cells of both airways and alveolar ducts and Desmin is a load-bearing protein that stiffens the airways and consequently the lung and modulates airway contractile response.

**Immunogen**

Purified recombinant fragment of Desmin expressed in E. Coli.

**Formulation**

Purified antibody in PBS containing 0.03% sodium azide.

**Desmin Antibody - Additional Information**

**Gene ID** 1674

**Other Names**

Desmin, DES

**Dilution**

WB~~1/500 - 1/2000

IHC~~1/200 - 1/1000

**Storage**

Maintain refrigerated at 2-8°C for up to 6 months. For long term storage store at -20°C in small aliquots to prevent freeze-thaw cycles.

**Precautions**

Desmin Antibody is for research use only and not for use in diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

**Desmin Antibody - Protein Information**

## Name DES

### Function

Muscle-specific type III intermediate filament essential for proper muscular structure and function. Plays a crucial role in maintaining the structure of sarcomeres, inter-connecting the Z-disks and forming the myofibrils, linking them not only to the sarcolemmal cytoskeleton, but also to the nucleus and mitochondria, thus providing strength for the muscle fiber during activity (PubMed:<a href="http://www.uniprot.org/citations/25358400" target="\_blank">25358400</a>). In adult striated muscle they form a fibrous network connecting myofibrils to each other and to the plasma membrane from the periphery of the Z- line structures (PubMed:<a href="http://www.uniprot.org/citations/24200904" target="\_blank">24200904</a>, PubMed:<a href="http://www.uniprot.org/citations/25394388" target="\_blank">25394388</a>, PubMed:<a href="http://www.uniprot.org/citations/26724190" target="\_blank">26724190</a>). May act as a sarcomeric microtubule-anchoring protein: specifically associates with detyrosinated tubulin-alpha chains, leading to buckled microtubules and mechanical resistance to contraction. Required for nuclear membrane integrity, via anchoring at the cell tip and nuclear envelope, resulting in maintenance of microtubule-derived intracellular mechanical forces (By similarity). Contributes to the transcriptional regulation of the NKX2-5 gene in cardiac progenitor cells during a short period of cardiomyogenesis and in cardiac side population stem cells in the adult. Plays a role in maintaining an optimal conformation of nebulin (NEB) on heart muscle sarcomeres to bind and recruit cardiac alpha-actin (By similarity).

### Cellular Location

Cytoplasm, myofibril, sarcomere, Z line. Cytoplasm Cell membrane, sarcolemma. Nucleus {ECO:0000250|UniProtKB:P31001}. Cell tip {ECO:0000250|UniProtKB:P31001}. Nucleus envelope {ECO:0000250|UniProtKB:P31001}. Note=Localizes in the intercalated disks which occur at the Z line of cardiomyocytes (PubMed:24200904, PubMed:26724190). Localizes in the nucleus exclusively in differentiating cardiac progenitor cells and premature cardiomyocytes (By similarity). PKP2 is required for correct anchoring of DES at the cell tip and nuclear envelope (By similarity) {ECO:0000250|UniProtKB:P31001, ECO:0000269|PubMed:24200904, ECO:0000269|PubMed:26724190}

## Desmin Antibody - Protocols

Provided below are standard protocols that you may find useful for product applications.

- [Western Blot](#)
- [Blocking Peptides](#)
- [Dot Blot](#)
- [Immunohistochemistry](#)
- [Immunofluorescence](#)
- [Immunoprecipitation](#)
- [Flow Cytometry](#)
- [Cell Culture](#)

## Desmin Antibody - Images



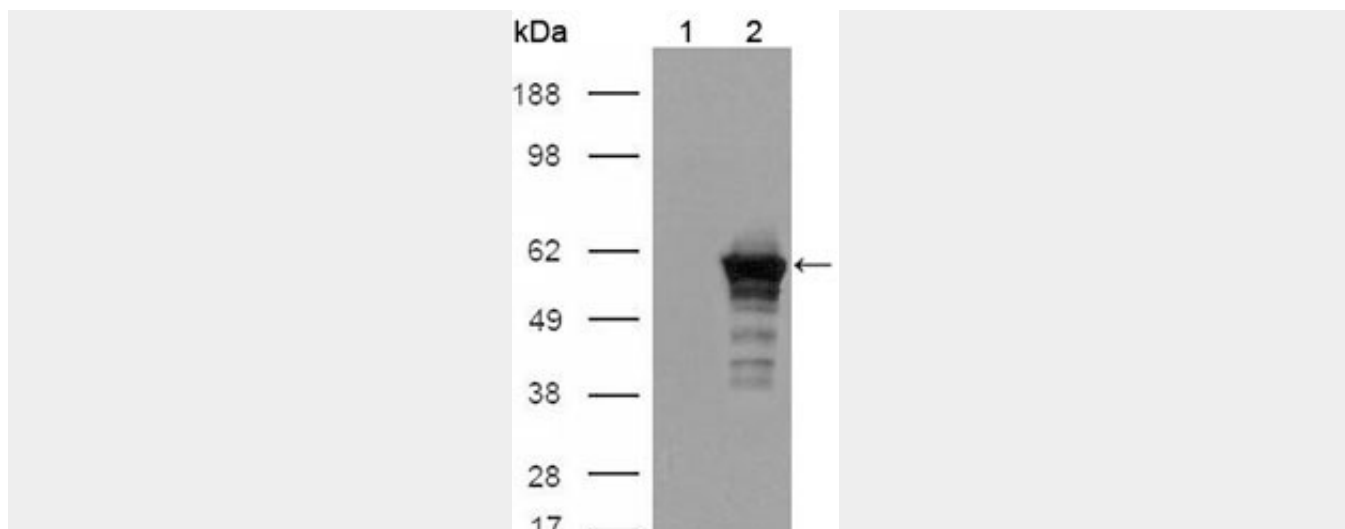


Figure 1: Western blot analysis using Desmin mouse mAb against HEK293T cells transfected with the pCMV6-ENTRY control (1) and pCMV6-ENTRY Desmin cDNA (2).

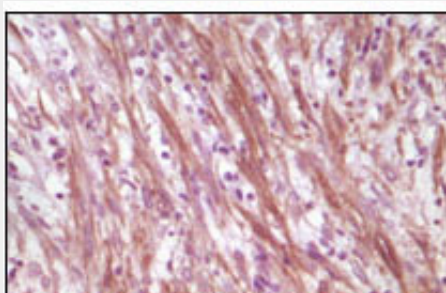


Figure 2: Immunohistochemical analysis of paraffin-embedded human smooth muscle sarcoma, showing cytoplasmic localization using Desmin mouse mAb with DAB staining.

### Desmin Antibody - References

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2. Xupei Huang, Jian Li, Dalton Foster. *Experimental Biology and Medicine*, Dec 2002; 227: 1039.