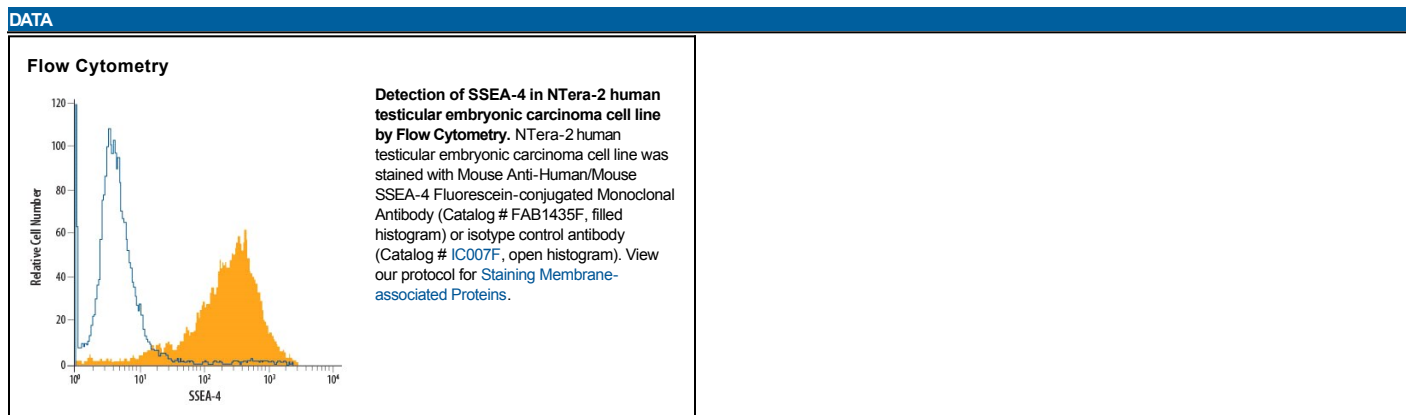


DESCRIPTION	
<b>Species Reactivity</b>	Human/Mouse
<b>Specificity</b>	Recognizes a carbohydrate epitope of SSEA-4 (1, 2).
<b>Source</b>	Monoclonal Mouse IgG <sub>3</sub> Clone # MC-813-70
<b>Purification</b>	Protein A or G purified from hybridoma culture supernatant
<b>Immunogen</b>	2120Ep human embryonal carcinoma cell line
<b>Conjugate</b>	Fluorescein Excitation Wavelength: 488 nm Emission Wavelength: 515-545 nm (FITC)
<b>Formulation</b>	Supplied in a saline solution containing BSA and Sodium Azide. See Certificate of Analysis for details.  *Contains <0.1% Sodium Azide, which is not hazardous at this concentration according to GHS classifications. Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for additional information and handling instructions.

APPLICATIONS		
<i>Please Note: Optimal dilutions should be determined by each laboratory for each application. General Protocols are available in the Technical Information section on our website.</i>		
	<b>Recommended Concentration</b>	<b>Sample</b>
<b>Flow Cytometry</b>	10 µL/10 <sup>6</sup> cells	See Below



PREPARATION AND STORAGE	
<b>Shipping</b>	The product is shipped with polar packs. Upon receipt, store it immediately at the temperature recommended below.
<b>Stability &amp; Storage</b>	<b>Protect from light. Do not freeze.</b> ● 12 months from date of receipt, 2 to 8 °C as supplied.

**BACKGROUND**  
SSEA-4 is expressed on the surface of human embryonal carcinoma (EC) cells (the pluripotent stem cells of teratocarcinomas), human embryonic germ cells (EG), and human embryonic stem cells (ES). Expression of SSEA-4 is down-regulated following differentiation of human EC cells. In contrast, the differentiation of murine EC and ES cells may be accompanied by an increase in SSEA-4 expression (1-4).

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