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# M.O.M.® (Mouse on Mouse) Immunodetection Kit

## Fluorescein

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**Cat. No.** FMK-2201

**Storage**

Store reagents in original bottles at 2–8 °C. We recommend that the reagents be kept in the box in which they were supplied. Do not freeze.

**Description**

The Vector® M.O.M. (Mouse on Mouse) Immunodetection Kit is designed specifically to localize mouse primary antibodies on mouse tissues.

The M.O.M. Immunodetection Kit can be used with normal and genetically engineered mouse models, including transgenic, xenograft, knock out and other mutant strains.

**Kit Components**

| Product Name | Volume |
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| M.O.M. Blocking Reagent | 1 ml |
| M.O.M. Protein Concentrate | 6 ml |
| M.O.M. Biotinylated Anti-Mouse IgG | 0.1 ml |
| Avidin DCS, Fluorescein | 0.4 ml |

The M.O.M. Immunodetection Kit contains enough stock reagents to produce about 25 ml of working solution which is generally sufficient to stain approximately 250 tissue sections.

### Preparation of M.O.M. Working Solutions

- M.O.M. Mouse IgG Blocking Reagent: add 2 drops (90 µl) of M.O.M. Blocking Reagent stock solution to 2.5 ml of PBS or TBS. †
- M.O.M. Diluent: add 600 µl of M.O.M. Protein Concentrate stock solution to 7.5 ml of PBS or TBS. ††
- M.O.M. Biotinylated Anti-Mouse IgG Reagent: add 10 µl of M.O.M. Biotinylated Anti-Mouse IgG to 2.5 ml of M.O.M Diluent prepared above.
- Fluorescein Avidin DCS: add 40 µl of Avidin DCS stock solution to 2.5 ml of PBS or TBS.

† PBS: 10 mM sodium phosphate, 0.15 M NaCl, pH 7.4–7.8

TBS: 50 mM TRIS, 0.15 M NaCl, pH 7.5–7.8

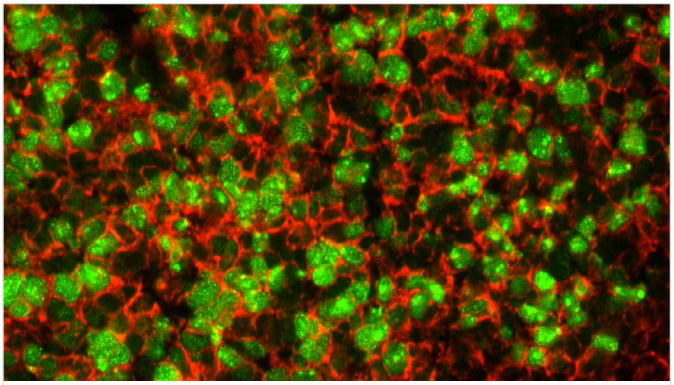
†† Note: 7.5 ml of M.O.M.Diluent provides sufficient reagent for use in steps 7, 8, and 10.

### Staining Procedure

1. For paraffin sections, deparaffinize and hydrate tissue sections through xylenes or other clearing agents and graded alcohol series.

   For frozen sections or cell preparations, fix with acetone or an appropriate fixative for the antigen under study. Air dry.

   Wash for 5 minutes in tap water.



*Mouse Tonsil - Double Label: Ki67 (m), M.O.M. Fluorescein Immunodetection Kit (green), CD20 (m), M.O.M. Immunodetection Kit, Basic, Avidin DCS, Texas Red™ (red)*

2. If antigen unmasking is required, perform this procedure using Antigen Unmasking Solution, Citrate-based, pH 6.0 (H-3300) or Tris-based, pH 9.0 (H-3301).
3. Wash in buffer for 5 minutes.
4. Perform Avidin/Biotin blocking if required*, using Avidin/Biotin Blocking Kit (SP-2001) or Streptavidin/Biotin Blocking Kit (SP-2002).
5. Incubate for 1 hour in working solution of prepared M.O.M. Mouse IgG Blocking Reagent.
6. Wash 2 x 2 minutes in PBS or TBS**.
7. Incubate tissue sections for 5 minutes in working solution of prepared M.O.M. Diluent**.
8. Dilute primary antibody in M.O.M. Diluent to the appropriate concentration. Tip off excess M.O.M. Diluent from sections and apply diluted primary antibody. Incubate for 30 minutes**.
9. Wash for 2 x 2 minutes in PBS or TBS**.
10. Apply working solution of prepared M.O.M. Biotinylated Anti-Mouse IgG Reagent. Incubate sections for 10 minutes**.
11. Wash for 2 x 2 minutes in PBS or TBS.
12. Apply prepared Fluorescein Avidin DCS. Incubate for 5 minutes.
13. Wash for 2 x 5 minutes in PBS or TBS.
14. Mount in a suitable antifade medium such as one of the VECTASHIELD® Antifade Mounting Media.

* When appropriate control sections have shown that endogenous avidin/biotin activity is not present, step 4 may be omitted.

** It is recommended that the exact times described in steps 6–12 be used in the staining protocol. Longer incubation may result in an increase in background staining.

Detailed product listings, specifications, protocols and additional support information such as our Troubleshooting Guide: Mouse Antibodies on Mouse Tissue are available on our website: vectorlabs com.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