

**BM3255B****Monoclonal Antibody to HCV Core protein (80-160) - Biotin**

<b>Alternate names:</b>	Hepatitis C Virus core protein
<b>Quantity:</b>	0.1 mg
<b>Concentration:</b>	1.0 mg/ml
<b>Background:</b>	<p>The hepatitis C virus (HCV) core protein represents the first 191 amino acids of the viral precursor polyprotein and is cotranslationally inserted into the membrane of the endoplasmic reticulum. Hepatitis C virus (HCV) core is a viral structural protein; it also participates in some cellular processes, including transcriptional regulation. However the mechanisms of core-mediated transcriptional regulation remain poorly understood. Hepatitis C virus (HCV) core protein is thought to contribute to HCV pathogenesis through its interaction with various signal transduction pathways. In addition, HCV core antigen is a recently developed marker of hepatitis C infection. The HCV core protein has been previously shown to circulate in the bloodstream of HCV-infected patients and inhibit host immunity through an interaction with gC1qR. Hepatitis C Virus is a positive, single stranded RNA virus in the Flaviviridae family. The genome is approximately 10,000 nucleotides and encodes a single polyprotein of about 3,000 amino acids. The polyprotein is processed by host cell and viral proteases into three major structural proteins and several non structural proteins necessary for viral replication.</p> <p>Hepatitis C virus (HCV) causes most cases of non-A, non-B hepatitis and results in most HCV infected people developing chronic infections, liver cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma. T cell responses, including interferon-gamma production are severely suppressed in chronic HCV patients.</p>
<b>Host / Isotype:</b>	Mouse / IgG2a
<b>Clone:</b>	7A1
<b>Immunogen:</b>	Recombinant protein
<b>Format:</b>	<b>State:</b> Liquid purified Ig fraction <b>Purification:</b> Protein A chromatography. <b>Buffer System:</b> 1X PBS, pH 7.2 containing 0.01% sodium azide as preservative <b>Label:</b> Biotin – Covalently coupled with the N-Hydroxysuccinimide ester of under mild conditions to give a high degree of substitution
<b>Applications:</b>	Suitable for use in ELISA, Immunohistochemistry (frozen sections only) and Immunofluorescence. Does not work in Western blot. Other applications not tested. Optimal dilutions are dependent on conditions and should be determined by the user.
<b>Specificity:</b>	HCV core antigen. Recognizes 80-120 amino acid residues of HCV core antigen.

**Storage:**

Store the antibody undiluted at 2-8°C for one month or (in aliquots) at -20°C for longer.  
Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.  
Shelf life: one year from despatch.