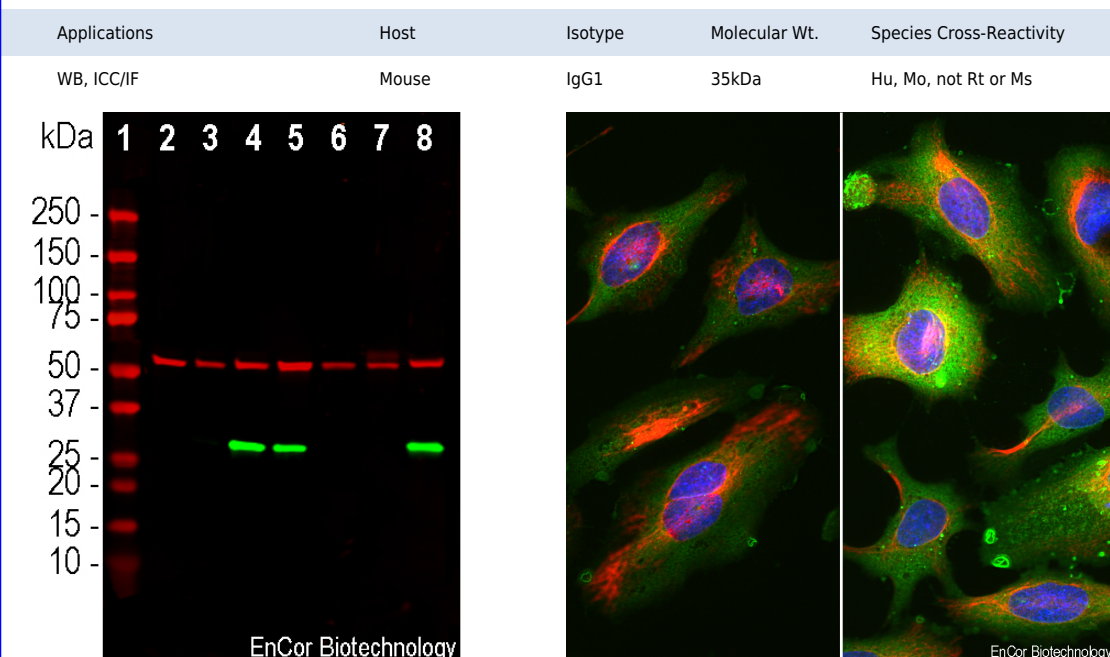


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**HGNC Name:** ANXA5  
**UniProt:** P08758  
**RRID:** AB\_2861177  
**Immunogen:** Full length human recombinant annexin A5 expressed in and purified from *E. coli*.  
**Format:** Purified antibody at 1mg/mL in 50% PBS, 50% glycerol plus 5mM NaN<sub>3</sub>  
**Storage:** Store at 4°C for short term, for longer term at -20°C.  
**Recommended dilutions:**  
WB: 1:2,000-1:5,000. ICC/IF: 1:1,000-2,000 IHC: 1:1,000.

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Western blot analysis of different cell lines lysates using mouse mAb to annexin A5, MCA-6A12, dilution 1:2,000 in green: [1] protein standard (red), [2] mouse NIH-3T3, [3] rat C6, [4] human HeLa, [5] human HEK293, [6] canine A72, [7] equine NBL6, and [8] African green monkey COS1 cells. The blot was simultaneously probed with EnCor rabbit pAb to HSP60, [RPCA-HSP60](#), dilution 1:5,000, in red. The strong band at about 35kDa corresponds to annexin A5 protein, detected only in the human and monkey cells, the antibody does not recognize annexin A5 from other species. The HSP60 antibody used as a loading control reveals a single band at 60kDa in all cell preparations.

Immunofluorescent analysis of HeLa cells stained with mouse mAb to annexin A5, MCA-6A12, dilution 1:1,000 in green, and costained with chicken pAb to vimentin, [CPCA-Vim](#), dilution 1:2,000 in red. The blue is Hoechst staining of nuclear DNA. HeLa cells were grown under normal conditions, on the left, or treated with 15mM Pentoxifyline for 24 hours, on the right. Pentoxifyline activates apoptosis in these cells and also upregulates annexin A6 expression.

### Background:

The annexins are a large family of related proteins which share the property of binding to phospholipid containing membranes in a Calcium dependent manner (1). Different members of the family were discovered by different laboratories and as a result the various members have many alternate names, such as lipocortin, calpactin, calelectrin and others. In fact Annexin A5 has a particularly surprising number of alternate names, 20 being listed on the [Genecards ANXA5](#) site. The widely used current nomenclature is now based on a letter to indicate membership in a particular one of several annexin sub-families and a number for individual gene products, hence the name annexin A5. The annexin family is defined by a compact disc structure formed from 16 closely packed  $\alpha$ -helices which coordinate multiple calcium ions with phospholipid containing membranes. This domain is defined by 4 imperfect repeats of a ~77 amino acid sequence, each repeat forming 4  $\alpha$ -helices (2,3). Annexin A5 is expressed widely in tissues and has been used as a marker of apoptosis, as apoptotic cells may express binding sites for this protein on their cell surface. The protein binds to phosphatidylserine, a membrane lipid normally not found on the external surface of cells which becomes expressed on the cell surface during apoptosis. As a result fluorescent annexin A5 or annexin A5 antibody can be used to isolate apoptotic cells by fluorescence activated cell sorting (4).

The MCA-6A12 antibody was made against full length recombinant human annexin A5 expressed in and purified from *E. coli*. The antibody is specific for human annexin A5 and does not recognize annexin A5 in rodents and many other mammals, although it does recognize annexin A5 in COS1 cells which originated from African green monkey. The antibody works well for western blotting and for IF, ICC and IHC of human material (see data under "Additional Info" tab). We also market a rabbit polyclonal antibody to annexin A5 which has a much wider cross-species reactivity [RPCA-ANXA5](#).

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