

## R1064PS

## Polyclonal Antibody to Beta-galactosidase tag - Purified

**Alternate names:**

Beta-Gal Fusion Protein, Beta-Gal tag, JW0335, Lactase, b0344, lacZ tag

**Quantity:**

0.1 mg

**Concentration:**

1.0 mg/ml (by UV absorbance at 280 nm)

**Background:**

Beta-galactosidase is coded by a gene (lac z) in the lac operon of *Escherichia coli*. It is a metalloenzyme that splits lactose into glucose and galactose. It hydrolyzes terminal, non-reducing beta-D-galactose residues in beta-D-galactosides. Activation by cations seems to be substrate dependent.  $K^+$ ,  $Na^+$ ,  $NH_4^+$ ,  $Rb^+$ ,  $Cs^+$  and  $Mn^{++}$  all activate enzyme activity based upon the substrate used.

Anti Beta-galactosidase antibody recognizes the enzyme beta-galactosidase, or  $\beta$ -galactosidase, that is a component of assays used frequently in genetics, molecular biology (see X-gal) for a blue white screen, and other life sciences. IPTG induces production of  $\beta$ -galactosidase by binding and inhibiting the lac repressor. Since it is highly expressed and accumulated in lysosomes in senescent cells, it is used as a senescence biomarker both in vivo and in vitro in qualitative and quantitative assays, despite its limitations. Anti Beta-galactosidase antibody is ideal for investigators involved in enzyme research.

**Uniprot ID:**

[P00722](#)

**NCBI:**

[AP\\_000996.1](#)

**GeneID:**

[945006](#)

**Host:**

Rabbit

**Immunogen:**

Full length native Beta-galactosidase isolated from *E.coli*

**Format:**

**State:** Lyophilized purified IgG fraction

**Purification:** Multi-step process which includes delipidation, salt fractionation and ion exchange chromatography followed by extensive dialysis against the buffer

**Buffer System:** 0.02M Potassium phosphate, 0.15M Sodium chloride, pH 7.2

**Preservatives:** 0.01% (w/v) Sodium azide

**Stabilizers:** None

**Reconstitution:** Restore with 0.1 ml of deionized water (or equivalent).

**Applications:**

Suitable for Immunoblotting (Western or dot blot), ELISA, Immunofluorescence microscopy, Immunoprecipitation, conjugation and most immunological methods requiring high titer and specificity.

**Western blot:** 1/5,000-1/10,000. A 1/5,000 dilution has been reported to be successful for staining by Immunoblot of Beta-galactosidase fusion proteins after transfer using a semi-dry transfer apparatus). **ELISA:** 1/10,000.

**Immunohistochemistry:** 1/1,500. The antibody recognizes both Frozen tissue sections, Paraffin embedded tissue and 4% paraformaldehyde fixed tissue for most immunohistochemical analysis: A 1/1,500 dilution has been reported to detect Beta-galactosidase in adult rat spinal cord tissue after infection with helper-dependent adenovirus expressing lacZ. In this particular experiment, tissue was perfused with 4% paraformaldehyde and cryostat-cut (35  $\mu$ m) to produce free-floating sections. A

1/5,000 dilution has been reported for immunofluorescent staining of methanol fixed, devitellinized *Drosophila* embryos. Although a wide range of conditions was reported to be effective, a 1/10,000 dilution was noted to show no background and to be suitable for double labeling experiments). A 1/5,000 dilution has been reported to be successful for staining brain sections from transgenic mice expressing nuclear Beta-galactosidase when assayed by **Immunofluorescence microscopy**. Other applications not tested. Optimal dilutions are dependent on conditions and should be determined by the user.

**Specificity:**

This antibody detects Beta-galactosidase [*E. coli*]. Cross reactivity against Beta-galactosidase from other tissues and species may occur but have not been specifically determined. Very low background staining has been reported in various assays.

Immunoelectrophoresis gives a single precipitin arc against anti-rabbit serum as well as purified and partially purified Beta-galactosidase [*E.coli*].

**Add. Information:**

Conjugates available. Please ask for details.

**Storage:**

Store lyophilized at 2-8°C for 6 months or at -20°C long term.

After reconstitution store the antibody undiluted at 2-8°C for one month or (in aliquots) at -20°C long term. Dilute only prior to immediate use. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

Shelf life: one year from despatch.

**Product Citations:****Originator or purchased from resellers:**

1. Hayworth CR, Moody SE, Chodosh LA, Krieg P, Rimer M, Thompson WJ. Induction of neuregulin signaling in mouse schwann cells in vivo mimics responses to denervation. *J Neurosci*. 2006 Jun 21;26(25):6873-84. PubMed PMID: 16793894.

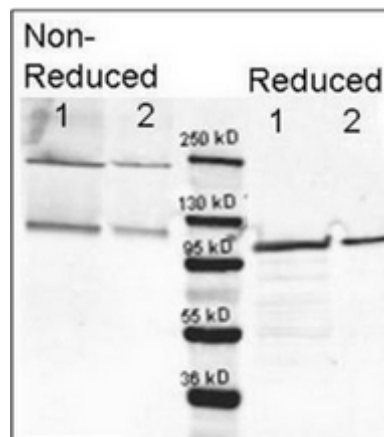
**General Readings:**

1. Huber RE, Hakda S, Cheng C, Cupples CG, Edwards RA. Trp-999 of beta-galactosidase (*Escherichia coli*) is a key residue for binding, catalysis, and synthesis of allolactose, the natural lac operon inducer. *Biochemistry*. 2003 Feb 18;42(6):1796-803. PubMed PMID: 12578395.

2. Matthews BW. The structure of *E. coli* beta-galactosidase. *C R Biol*. 2005 Jun;328(6):549-56. PubMed PMID: 15950161.

### Pictures:

Western blotting using Beta-galactosidase antibody Cat.-No R1064PS. Lane 1 shows 80 ng and lane 2 shows 20 ng loaded onto gel. Results for Non-Reducing Conditions of SDS-PAGE prior to transfer to nitrocellulose are shown on the left side of the figure; results obtained under Reducing Conditions are shown on the right. Blots were blocked overnight at 4°C with blocking buffer for fluorescent Western blotting (p/n MB-070). The membrane was probed with Beta-galactosidase antibody Cat.-No R1064P diluted to 1/10,000. Reaction occurred overnight at 4°C. Dylight649™ conjugated goat-anti-rabbit IgG was used for detection. Molecular weight estimation was made by comparison to a prestained MW marker (center). Fluorescence image was captured using the VersaDoc® imaging system developed by BIO-RAD. Other detection systems will yield similar results.



Western blot using Beta-galactosidase antibody Cat.-No. R1064PS shows detection of a band at ~117 kDa (lane 1) corresponding to the protein present in partially purified preparations. Approximately 50 ng of protein was separated on a 4-20% Tris-Glycine gel by SDS-PAGE and transferred onto nitrocellulose. After blocking the membrane was probed with the primary antibody diluted to 1/1,000. Reaction occurred overnight at 4°C followed by washes and reaction with a 1/10,000 dilution of IRDye800(TM) conjugated goat-a-rabbit IgG [H&L] for 45 min at RT (800 nm channel, green). Molecular weight estimation was made by comparison to prestained MW markers in lane M (700 nm channel, red). RDye800(TM) fluorescence image was captured using the Odyssey(R) infrared imaging system developed by LI-COR. IRDye is a trademark of LI-COR, Inc. Other detection systems will yield similar results.

