

## **β-Actin**

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Cat.No. 251 006; Polyclonal chicken antibody, 50 µg specific antibody (lyophilized)

## **Data Sheet**

Reconstitution/ Storage	50 μg purified IgY, lyophilized. Ovalbumin was added for stabilization. For reconstitution add 50 μl H <sub>2</sub> O to get a 1mg/ml solution in PBS. Then aliquot and store at -20°C until use. <b>Before storing at -20°C add 1 vol of glycerol.</b>
Applications	WB: 1: 1000 up to 1: 2000 AP staining IP: not tested yet ICC: 1: 500 up to 1: 1000 IHC: 1: 500 up to 1: 1000 IHC-P/FFPE: not tested yet
Immunogen	Synthetic peptide corresponding to AA 2 to 16 from mouse $\beta$ -Actin (UniProt Id: P60710)
Reactivity	Reacts with: rat (P60711), mouse (P60710), human (P60709), grashopper, zebrafish, C. elegans. Other species not tested yet.
Specificity	May cross-react to $\alpha\text{-}$ and $\gamma\text{-}actin$ due to sequence homology.

## TO BE USED IN VITRO / FOR RESEARCH ONLY NOT TOXIC, NOT HAZARDOUS, NOT INFECTIOUS, NOT CONTAGIOUS

The two major cytoskeletal proteins involved in cell motility are myosin and **actin**. Monomeric actin is a globular protein that is expressed in all eukaryotic cells. Actin is the major subunit of microfilaments, a major component of the cytoskeleton, and of thin filaments, part of the contractile apparatus in muscle cells.

Actin is involved in many cellular processes including cell motility, maintenance of cell shape, and organelle trafficking.

Three main groups of actin have been identified.  $\alpha$ -actins are found in muscle tissues whereas  $\beta$ - and  $\gamma$ -actins co-exist in most cell types as components of the cytoskeleton.

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