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## Oct-4 (V241) Antibody

**For Research Use Only. Not for Use in Diagnostic Procedures.**

<b>Applications:</b> W	<b>Reactivity:</b> H M	<b>Sensitivity:</b> Endogenous	<b>MW (kDa):</b> 45	<b>Source/Isotype:</b> Rabbit	<b>UniProt ID:</b> #Q01860	<b>Entrez-Gene Id:</b> 5460
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### Product Usage Information

#### Application

Western Blotting

#### Dilution

1:1000

### Storage

Supplied in 10 mM sodium HEPES (pH 7.5), 150 mM NaCl, 100 µg/ml BSA and 50% glycerol. Store at -20°C. Do not aliquot the antibody.

### Specificity/Sensitivity

Oct-4 (V241) Antibody detects endogenous levels of total Oct-4 protein.

### Species predicted to react based on 100% sequence homology

Monkey

### Source / Purification

Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to amino acids surrounding Val241 of human Oct-4. Antibodies are purified by peptide affinity chromatography.

### Background

Oct-4 (POU5F1) is a transcription factor highly expressed in undifferentiated embryonic stem cells and embryonic germ cells (1). A network of key factors that includes Oct-4, Nanog, and Sox2 is necessary for the maintenance of pluripotent potential, and downregulation of Oct-4 has been shown to trigger cell differentiation (2,3). Research studies have demonstrated that Oct-4 is a useful germ cell tumor marker (4). Oct-4 exists as two splice variants, Oct-4A and Oct-4B (5). Recent studies have suggested that the Oct-4A isoform has the ability to confer and sustain pluripotency, while Oct-4B may exist in some somatic, non-pluripotent cells (6,7).

### Background References

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### Species Reactivity

Species reactivity is determined by testing in at least one approved application (e.g., western blot).

### Western Blot Buffer

**IMPORTANT:** For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted primary antibody in 5% w/v BSA, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween@ 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

### Applications Key

**W:** Western Blotting

### Cross-Reactivity Key

**H:** Human **M:** Mouse

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