

# Autophagy Antibody Sampler Kit



✓ 1 Kit  
 (7 x 20 µl)

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Products Included	Product #	Quantity	Mol. Wt.	Isotype
Beclin-1 (D40C5) Rabbit mAb	3495	20 µl	60 kDa	Rabbit IgG
LC3A/B (D3U4C) XP® Rabbit mAb	12741	20 µl	14, 16 kDa	Rabbit IgG
Atg5 (D5F5U) Rabbit mAb	12994	20 µl	55 kDa	Rabbit IgG
Atg12 (D88H11) Rabbit mAb	4180	20 µl	16, 53 kDa	Rabbit IgG
Atg16L1 (D6D5) Rabbit mAb	8089	20 µl	66, 68 kDa	Rabbit IgG
Atg7 (D12B11) Rabbit mAb	8558	20 µl	78 kDa	Rabbit IgG
Atg3 Antibody	3415	20 µl	40 kDa	Rabbit IgG
Anti-rabbit IgG, HRP-linked Antibody	7074	100 µl		Goat

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**Description:** The Autophagy Antibody Sampler Kit provides an economical means to investigate the molecular machinery of autophagy within the cell. The kit includes enough antibody to perform two western blot experiments with each primary antibody.

**Background:** Autophagy is a catabolic process for the autophagosomal-lysosomal degradation of bulk cytoplasmic contents (1,2). Autophagy is generally activated by conditions of nutrient deprivation but has also been associated with a number of physiological processes including development, differentiation, neurodegeneration, infection, and cancer (3). The molecular machinery of autophagy was largely discovered in yeast and referred to as **autophagy**-related (Atg) genes. Formation of the autophagosome involves a ubiquitin-like conjugation system in which Atg12 is covalently bound to Atg5 and targeted to autophagosomal vesicles (4-6). This conjugation reaction is mediated by the ubiquitin E1-like enzyme Atg7 and the E2-like enzyme Atg10 (7,8).

**Specificity/Sensitivity:** Each antibody in the Autophagy Antibody Sampler Kit detects its respective target at endogenous levels. Both the Atg5 and Atg12 rabbit monoclonal antibodies recognize the Atg12-Atg5 conjugate.

**Source/Purification:** Monoclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with synthetic peptides corresponding to residues surrounding Leu44 of human LC3B, Thr72 of human Beclin-1, Leu265 of human Atg5, Ser36 of human Atg12, or near the amino termini of human Atg7 and Atg16L1. Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with synthetic peptides corresponding to residues near the amino-termini of human Atg3. Polyclonal antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.

**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 antibodies.*

**Recommended Antibody Dilutions:**

Western blotting 1:1000

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**Background References:**

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# Western Immunoblotting Protocol

For western blots, incubate membrane with diluted primary antibody in either 5% w/v BSA or nonfat dry milk, 1X TBS, 0.1% Tween® 20 at 4°C with gentle shaking, overnight.

**NOTE:** Please refer to primary antibody datasheet or product webpage for recommended primary antibody dilution buffer and recommended antibody dilution.

## A. Solutions and Reagents

**NOTE:** Prepare solutions with reverse osmosis deionized (RODI) or equivalent grade water.

- 20X Phosphate Buffered Saline (PBS):** (#9808) To prepare 1 L 1X PBS: add 50 ml 20X PBS to 950 ml dH<sub>2</sub>O, mix.
- 10X Tris Buffered Saline (TBS):** (#12498) To prepare 1 L 1X TBS: add 100 ml 10X to 900 ml dH<sub>2</sub>O, mix.
- 1X SDS Sample Buffer:** Blue Loading Pack (#7722) or Red Loading Pack (#7723)  
Prepare fresh 3X reducing loading buffer by adding 1/10 volume 30X DTT to 1 volume of 3X SDS loading buffer. Dilute to 1X with dH<sub>2</sub>O.
- 10X Tris-Glycine SDS Running Buffer:** (#4050) To prepare 1 L 1X running buffer: add 100 ml 10X running buffer to 900 ml dH<sub>2</sub>O, mix.
- 10X Tris-Glycine Transfer Buffer:** (#12539) To prepare 1 L 1X transfer buffer: add 100 ml 10X transfer buffer to 200 ml methanol + 700 ml dH<sub>2</sub>O, mix.
- 10X Tris Buffered Saline with Tween® 20 (TBST):** (#9997) To prepare 1 L 1X TBST: add 100 ml 10X TBST to 900 ml dH<sub>2</sub>O, mix.
- Nonfat Dry Milk:** (#9999)
- Blocking Buffer:** 1X TBST with 5% w/v nonfat dry milk; for 150 ml, add 7.5 g nonfat dry milk to 150 ml 1X TBST and mix well.
- Wash Buffer:** (#9997) 1X TBST
- Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA):** (#9998)
- Primary Antibody Dilution Buffer:** 1X TBST with 5% BSA or 5% nonfat dry milk as indicated on primary antibody datasheet; for 20 ml, add 1.0 g BSA or nonfat dry milk to 20 ml 1X TBST and mix well.
- Biotinylated Protein Ladder Detection Pack:** (#7727)
- Prestained Protein Marker, Broad Range (Premixed Format):** (#7720)
- Blotting Membrane and Paper:** (#12369) This protocol has been optimized for nitrocellulose membranes. Pore size 0.2 µm is generally recommended.
- Secondary Antibody Conjugated to HRP:** anti-rabbit (#7074); anti-mouse (#7076)
- Detection Reagent:** LumiGLO® chemiluminescent reagent and peroxide (#7003) or SignalFire™ ECL Reagent (#6883)

## B. Protein Blotting

**A general protocol for sample preparation.**

- Treat cells by adding fresh media containing regulator for desired time.
- Aspirate media from cultures; wash cells with 1X PBS; aspirate.
- Lyse cells by adding 1X SDS sample buffer (100 µl per well of 6-well plate or 500 µl for a 10 cm diameter plate). Immediately scrape the cells off the plate and transfer the extract to a microcentrifuge tube. Keep on ice.
- Sonicate for 10–15 sec to complete cell lysis and shear DNA (to reduce sample viscosity).
- Heat a 20 µl sample to 95–100°C for 5 min; cool on ice.
- Microcentrifuge for 5 min.
- Load 20 µl onto SDS-PAGE gel (10 cm x 10 cm). **NOTE:** Loading of prestained molecular weight markers (#7720, 10 µl/lane) to verify electrotransfer and biotinylated protein ladder (#7727, 10 µl/lane) to determine molecular weights are recommended.
- Electrotransfer to nitrocellulose membrane (#12369).

## C. Membrane Blocking and Antibody Incubations

**NOTE:** Volumes are for 10 cm x 10 cm (100 cm<sup>2</sup>) of membrane; for different sized membranes, adjust volumes accordingly.

### I. Membrane Blocking

- (Optional) After transfer, wash nitrocellulose membrane with 25 ml TBS for 5 min at room temperature.
- Incubate membrane in 25 ml of blocking buffer for 1 hr at room temperature.
- Wash three times for 5 min each with 15 ml of TBST.

### II. Primary Antibody Incubation

- Incubate membrane and primary antibody (at the appropriate dilution and diluent as recommended in the product datasheet) in 10 ml primary antibody dilution buffer with gentle agitation overnight at 4°C.
- Wash three times for 5 min each with 15 ml of TBST.
- Incubate membrane with the species appropriate HRP-conjugated secondary antibody (#7074 or #7076 at 1:2000) and anti-biotin, HRP-linked Antibody (#7075 at 1:1000–1:3000) to detect biotinylated protein markers in 10 ml of blocking buffer with gentle agitation for 1 hr at room temperature.
- Wash three times for 5 min each with 15 ml of TBST.
- Proceed with detection (Section D).

## D. Detection of Proteins

- Incubate membrane with 10 ml LumiGLO® (0.5 ml 20X LumiGLO® #7003, 0.5 ml 20X peroxide, and 9.0 ml purified water) or 10 ml SignalFire™ #6883 (5 ml Reagent A, 5 ml Reagent B) with gentle agitation for 1 min at room temperature.
- Drain membrane of excess developing solution (do not let dry), wrap in plastic wrap and expose to x-ray film. An initial 10 sec exposure should indicate the proper exposure time.  
**NOTE:** Due to the kinetics of the detection reaction, signal is most intense immediately following incubation and declines over the following 2 hr.

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