

**p63-α Antibody**

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<b>Applications:</b> W, IF-IC	<b>Reactivity:</b> H	<b>Sensitivity:</b> Endogenous	<b>MW (kDa):</b> 75	<b>Source/Isotype:</b> Rabbit	<b>UniProt ID:</b> #Q9H3D4	<b>Entrez-Gene Id:</b> 8626
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**Product Usage Information****Application**

Western Blotting  
Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry)

**Dilution**

1:1000  
1:100

**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**

p63α Antibody detects endogenous levels of total p63α protein. This antibody will detect both full length TAp63α and truncated ΔNp63α, but not p63β or p63γ.

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

Chicken

**Source / Purification**

Polyclonal antibodies are produced by immunizing animals with a synthetic peptide corresponding to residues within the carboxy-terminus of p63α. Antibodies are purified by protein A and peptide affinity chromatography.

**Background**

The p53 tumor suppressor protein plays a major role in cellular response to DNA damage and other genomic aberrations. Activation of p53 can lead to either cell cycle arrest and DNA repair or apoptosis (1). In addition to p53, mammalian cells contain two p53 family members, p63 and p73, which are similar to p53 in both structure and function (2). While p63 can induce p53-responsive genes and apoptosis, mutation of p63 rarely results in tumors (2). Research investigators frequently observe amplification of the p63 gene in squamous cell carcinomas of the lung, head and neck (2,3). The p63 gene contains an alternative transcription initiation site that yields a truncated ΔNp63 lacking the transactivation domain, and alternative splicing at the carboxy-terminus yields the α, β, and γ isoforms (3,4).

**Background References**

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3. Hibi, K. et al. (2000) *Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A* 97, 5462-7.
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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 **IF-IC:** Immunofluorescence (Immunocytochemistry)

**Cross-Reactivity Key**

**H:** Human

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