**BACKGROUND**

Pediatric cancer retinoblastoma and the formation of other human tumors can be attributed to mutations in the retinoblastoma tumor suppressor gene. The retinoblastoma tumor suppressor gene product, known as Rb or pRb, regulates differentiation, apoptosis and cell cycle control by coordinating the cell cycle at G1/S through transcriptional repression, and may be sustained through mitosis by differential phosphorylation of up to 16 putative serine or threonine residues, including Thr373, Thr356, Ser780, Ser807/Ser811, Ser249/Thr252 and Thr821/Thr826. Hypophosphorylated Rb represses the transcription of genes controlling cell cycle through direct protein-protein interactions, by binding and inactivating the promoters of transcription factors, and through recruitment of histone deacetylase, which deacetylates promoter regions and enhances nucleosome formation, thereby masking transcription enhancing cis elements.

**REFERENCES**


**CHROMOSOMAL LOCATION**

Genetic locus: RB1 (human) mapping to 13q14.2; Rb1 (mouse) mapping to 14 D3.

**SOURCE**

Rb (Rb1) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against retinoblastoma gene product β galactosidase fusion protein.

**PRODUCT**

Each vial contains 200 µg IgG1 kappa light chain in 1.0 ml of PBS with < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.1% gelatin.

Rb (Rb1) is available conjugated to agarose (sc-73598 AC), 500 µg/0.25 ml agarose in 1 ml, for IP; to HRP (sc-73598 HRP), 200 µg/ml, for WB, IHC(P) and ELISA; and to either phycoerythrin (sc-73598 PE), fluorescein (sc-73598 FITC), Alexa Fluor® 488 (sc-73598 AF488) or Alexa Fluor® 647 (sc-73598 AF647), 200 µg/ml, for IF, IHC(P) and FCM.

In addition, Rb (Rb1) is available conjugated to either TRITC (sc-73598 TRITC, 200 µg/ml) or Alexa Fluor® 405 (sc-73598 AF405), 100 µg/2 ml, for IF, IHC(P) and FCM.

**STORAGE**

Store at 4°C, **DO NOT FREEZE**. Stable for one year from the date of shipment. Non-hazardous. No MSDS required.

**APPLICATIONS**

Rb (Rb1) is recommended for detection of Rb p110 of mouse, rat and human origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution 1:200, dilution range 1:100-1:1000), immunoprecipitation (1-2 µg per 100-500 µg of total protein (1 ml of cell lysate)), immunofluorescence (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500), immunohistochemistry (including paraffin-embedded sections) (starting dilution 1:50, dilution range 1:50-1:500) and flow cytometry (1 µg per 1 x 10^6 cells).

Suitable for use as control antibody for Rb siRNA (h): sc-29468, Rb siRNA (m): sc-29469, Rb shRNA Plasmid (h): sc-29468-SH, Rb shRNA Plasmid (m): sc-29469-SH, Rb shRNA (h) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29468-V and Rb shRNA (m) Lentiviral Particles: sc-29469-V.

Molecular Weight (predicted) of Rb: 106 kDa.
Molecular Weight (observed) of Rb: 107-140 kDa.
Positive Controls: K-562 whole cell lysate: sc-2203, A-431 whole cell lysate: sc-2201 or SK-LMS-1 cell lysate: sc-3813.

**DATA**

![Western blot analysis of Rb expression in various cell lines.](image)

![Immunoperoxidase staining of formalin fixed, paraffin-embedded human urinary bladder tissue showing nuclear staining of urothelial cells.](image)

**SELECT PRODUCT CITATIONS**


**RESEARCH USE**

For research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedures.