



## rnk (464B): sc-101611

### BACKGROUND

RNA polymerase transcribes DNA to synthesize RNA using the four ribonucleoside triphosphates as substrates. In prokaryotes, a catalytic core known as RNAP is formed from  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\sigma$  RNA pol subunits that, once complexed, can initiate transcription. The RNAP-interacting protein, rnk (regulator of nucleoside kinase) is a 136 amino acid protein that is structurally similar to the secondary channel effectors known as Gre factors. *E. coli* Gre factors and DksA are competitively inhibited by rnk *in vitro*. Cellular concentrations of rnk are similar to GreB, indicating a role as regulator of secondary channel effectors. *In vitro* studies indicate that rnk neither directly inhibits RNAP promoter interaction nor initiates transcript cleavage.

### REFERENCES

1. Severinov, K. 2000. RNA polymerase structure-function: insights into points of transcriptional regulation. *Curr. Opin. Microbiol.* 3: 118-125.
2. Laptenko, O., Lee, J., Lomakin, I. and Borukhov, S. 2003. Transcript cleavage factors GreA and GreB act as transient catalytic components of RNA polymerase. *EMBO J.* 22: 6322-6334.
3. Vassylyeva, M.N., Svetlov, V., Dearborn, A.D., Klyuyev, S., Artsimovitch, I. and Vassylyev, D.G. 2007. The carboxy-terminal coiled-coil of the RNA polymerase  $\beta$ '-subunit is the main binding site for Gre factors. *EMBO Rep.* 8: 1038-1043.
4. Rutherford, S.T., Lemke, J.J., Vrentas, C.E., Gaal, T., Ross, W. and Gourse, R.L. 2007. Effects of DksA, GreA, and GreB on transcription initiation: insights into the mechanisms of factors that bind in the secondary channel of RNA polymerase. *J. Mol. Biol.* 366: 1243-1257.
5. Lamour, V., Rutherford, S.T., Kuznedelov, K., Ramagopal, U.A., Gourse, R.L., Severinov, K. and Darst, S.A. 2008. Crystal structure of *Escherichia coli* rnk, a new RNA polymerase-interacting protein. *J. Mol. Biol.* 383: 367-379.

### SOURCE

rnk (464B) is a mouse monoclonal antibody raised against rnk of *E. coli* origin.

### PRODUCT

Each vial contains 100  $\mu$ l ascites containing IgG<sub>1</sub> with < 0.1% sodium azide.

### APPLICATIONS

rnk (464B) is recommended for detection of rnk of *E. coli* origin by Western Blotting (starting dilution to be determined by researcher, dilution range 1:100-1:5000) and solid phase ELISA (starting dilution to be determined by researcher, dilution range 1:30-1:5000).

Molecular Weight of rnk: 15 kDa.

### STORAGE

For immediate and continuous use, store at 4° C for up to one month. For sporadic use, freeze in working aliquots in order to avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles. If turbidity is evident upon prolonged storage, clarify solution by centrifugation.

### RESEARCH USE

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

### PROTOCOLS

See our web site at [www.scbt.com](http://www.scbt.com) for detailed protocols and support products.