



IHC image of neurons in rat hypothalamus.

## Oxytocin Antibody

<b>Catalog #</b>	<b>20068</b>	<b>Product type</b>	Primary antibodies
<b>Lot #</b>	<b>1607001</b>	<b>Clonality</b>	Polyclonal
<b>Form</b>	Lyophilized whole serum (100 µL)	<b>Isotype</b>	IgG
<b>Host</b>	Rabbit	<b>Preservative</b>	≤ 0.09% sodium azide
<b>Reacts With</b>	Bat, Bird, Bovine, Chicken, Dog, Frog, Guinea Pig, Hamster, Human, Moth, Mole Rat, Monkey, Mouse, Rat, Sheep, Vole	<b>Antigen</b>	Synthetic oxytocin coupled to bovine thyroglobulin (BTg) with carbodiimide (CDI) linker.

### INSTRUCTIONS

<b>Preparation</b>	<p>Do not reconstitute until ready to use since the product is most stable when lyophilized. The product does not need to be kept cooled during shipping; however, for long-term storage, store lyophilized antibody until ready to use at -15°C or lower. Reconstitute with 100 µL of distilled or deionized water. After reconstitution, use immediately or refrigerate at 2°–8°C. To avoid freeze/thaw cycles, dilute unused antibody with PBS or Tris buffer at a dilution no higher than 1/10, then aliquot and freeze at -15°C or lower.</p> <p>Refer to the Instruction Manual available online at <a href="http://www.immunostar.com">www.immunostar.com</a> for information on tissue preparation, immunostaining techniques, troubleshooting, and formulas.</p>
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### APPLICATION

<b>IHC Quality Control</b>	The ImmunoStar Oxytocin antiserum was quality control tested using standard immunohistochemical methods. The antiserum demonstrates significant labeling of rat hypothalamus using indirect immunofluorescent and biotin/avidin-HRP techniques. Staining is completely eliminated by pretreatment of 1 mL of the diluted antibody with 5 µg of oxytocin. Pretreatment of 1 mL of the diluted antibody with as much as 100 µg of vasopressin does not diminish staining
<b>Absorption Control</b>	Oxytocin 5 µg/mL diluted serum Vasopressin 100 µg/mL diluted serum
<b>Tissue</b>	Rat hypothalamus (PVN/SON)
<b>Perfusion Fixation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fixative: 4% paraformaldehyde in 0.1 M Phosphate buffer, pH 7.4; 500 mL over 20–30 min.</li> <li>Post Fixation: 1.5 hours at 4°C in 4% paraformaldehyde in 0.1 M phosphate buffer, pH 7.4.</li> </ul>
<b>Sections</b>	10 µm cryostat or 50 µm vibratome
<b>Tissue Incubation</b>	18–24 hours at 2°–8°C
<b>Detection System</b>	Use IF or Bn/Av-HRP reagents at dilutions recommended by the manufacturers.
<b>Suggested Dilution</b>	1/10,000 – 1/15,000 in PBS/0.3% Triton X-100 – Bn/Av-HRP immunohistochemistry

### NOTES

<b>Special Instructions</b>	It is recommended that the researcher perform a primary antibody dilution series using our dilution recommendations as a guideline. Note that a change in the fixation or buffering system from our protocol may change the configuration of the protein which could alter the reactivity with the tissue tested.
<b>Storage</b>	After reconstitution, use immediately or refrigerate at 2°–8°C up to 2 days. For long-term storage, aliquot antibody and freeze at -15°C or lower. Avoid repeated freeze/thaw cycles.
<b>Concentration</b>	Not applicable. Antibody concentration is only relevant for purified antibodies.
<b>Journal References</b>	<a href="http://www.immunostar.com/literature/">www.immunostar.com/literature/</a>

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