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## Anti-Phospho-Ser<sup>31</sup> Tyrosine Hydroxylase

**Catalog Number:** p1580-31 **Size**: 100 μl

\$310.00

Product Description: Affinity purified rabbit polyclonal antibody

Applications: WB: 1:1000 IF (frozen sections; Witkovsky et al., 2000): 1:1000 IHC (frozen sections; Witkovsky et al., 2000): 1:1000

**Antigen:** Phosphopeptide corresponding to amino acid residues surrounding phospho-Ser<sup>31</sup> of rat tyrosine hydroxylase (TH).

**Species reactivity:** The antibody has been directly tested for reactivity in Western blots in rat and mouse tissues. It is anticipated that the antibody will also work with non-human primate tissues based on the fact that this species has 100% homology with the amino acid sequence used as antigen.

**Biological Significance:** Tyrosine hydroxylase (TH) is the rate-limiting enzyme in the synthesis of the catecholamines dopamine and norepinephrine. TH antibodies can therefore be used as markers for dopaminergic and noradrenergic neurons in a variety of applications including depression, schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease and drug abuse (Kish et al., 2001; Zhu et al., 2000; Zhu et al., 1999). TH antibodies can also be used to explore basic mechanisms of dopamine and norepinephrine signaling (Witkovsky et al., 2000; Salvatore et al., 2001; Dunkley et al., 2004). The activity of TH is also regulated by phosphorylation (Haycock et al., 1982; Haycock et al., 1992; Jedynak et al., 2002). Phospho-specific antibodies for the phosphorylation sites on TH can be used to great effect in studying this regulation and in identifying the cells in which TH phosphorylation occurs.





**Western blot** of PC-12 cells incubated in the absence (Control) and presence of okadaic acid (OA, 1  $\mu$ M for 60 min) showing specific immunolabeling of the ~60k TH phosphorylated at Ser<sup>31</sup>.

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**Storage and Stability.** For long term storage  $-20^{\circ}$ C is recommended. Stable at  $-20^{\circ}$ C for at least 1 year. **Shipment:** Domestic - Blue Ice; International – Blue Ice or Dry Ice.

**Purification Method:** Prepared from rabbit serum by affinity purification via sequential chromatography on phospho- and dephosphopeptide affinity columns.

**Antibody Specificity:** Specific for the ~60k tyrosine hydroxylase protein phosphorylated at Ser<sup>31</sup>.

Quality Control Tests: Western blots performed on each lot.

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