## Detection of acetyl-Histone H2B (Lys5) in Formalin-Fixed Paraffin-Embedded Rat Tissue

#### **Reagents:**

1X Automation Buffer
3% Hydrogen Peroxide
Antibody Diluent
Citrate Buffer
DAB Chromagen
Hematoxylin

#### **Antibody Information**

Blocking serum: Normal Goat Serum
Jackson Immunoresearch Laboratories, Inc.
West Grove, PA 19390
www.jacksonimmuno.com
1-800-367-5296
Catalog # 005-000-121

### Avidin Biotin Blocking Kit

Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 www.vectorlabs.com 1-800-227-6666 Catalog # SP-2001

Primary antibody: Rabbit anti-acetyl-Histone H2B (Lys5)

Upstate Cell Signaling Solutions

Lake Placid, NY 12946

www.upstate.com

1-800-233-3991

Catalog # 07-382

Negative control serum: Normal Rabbit Serum

Jackson Immunoresearch Laboratories, Inc.

West Grove, PA 19390

www.jacksonimmuno.com

1-800-367-5296

Catalog #011-000-001

Secondary antibody: Biotinylated Goat anti-Rabbit IgG

Vector Laboratories, Inc. Burlingame, CA 94010 www.vectorlabs.com 1-800-227-6666 Catalog # BA-1000

Label antibody: Peroxidase-conjugated Streptavidin SS Label

Biogenex

San Ramon, CA 94583

www.biogenex.com

1-800-421-4149

Catalog # HK330-9K

## **Staining Procedure**

Positive Control Tissue: Rat thymus and spleen

Stain Localization: Nuclear

Deparaffinize and hydrate slides through the following solutions.

Xylene	2 times	5 minutes
100% Ethanol	2 times	3 minutes
95% Ethanol	2 times	3 minutes
1X Automation Buffer	2 times	5 minutes

- 1. Quench endogenous peroxidase by placing slides in 3% hydrogen peroxide for 15 minutes.
- 2. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.

3	. Unmasking technique using the decloaker.
	Add 500 ml distilled water to the pan of the decloaker.
	Place full rack of slides in 200 ml of 1X citrate buffer and place in the decloaker.
	Decloak for 5 minutes. Pressure
	Depressurize for 10 minutes.
	Remove pan top and cool for 10 minutes. Temperature before cooling
	Rinse in distilled water twice for 3 minutes each.
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- 4. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.
- 5. Block with 10% Normal Goat Serum for 20 minutes at room temperature. Lot#\_\_\_\_\_\_ Reconstituted Date\_\_\_\_\_

# DO NOT RINSE SLIDES. CONTINUE TO AVIDIN-BIOTIN.

6. Apply the Avidin Biotin Blocking Kit				
Lot# Exp DateNew Kit: yes / no Apply avidin block - 15 minutes at room temperature.				
Quick rinse in 1X Automation Buffer.				
Apply biotin block - 15 minutes at room temperature.				
No wash, wipe excess block and apply primary antibody.				
DO NOT RINSE SLIDES WITH BUFFER BEFORE ADDING PRIMARY ANTIBODY.				
7. Apply primary antibody (H2B (Lys5)) at a 1:1500 dilution and incubate for 30 minute at room temperature.				
Lot# Exp Date				
For negative control slides, normalize the protein concentration of the normal rabbit serum to the protein concentration of the primary antibody (H2B (Lys5)) and use this to make a 1:1500 dilution and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.  Lot#				
8. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.				
9. Apply the goat anti-rabbit secondary antibody at 1:500 and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.  Lot# Reconstituted Date				
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10. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.				
11. Apply Biogenex Streptavidin Label antibody and incubate for 30 minutes at room temperature.				
Lot# Exp. Date				
12. Rinse slides in 2 changes of 1X Automation Buffer for 5 minutes each.				
13. Apply liquid Dako DAB Chromagen for 6 minutes in the dark.  (Add 1 drop of DAB per ml of substrate)  Lot# Exp. Date New Kit: yes / no				
14. Rinse in tap water 3 minutes.				
15. Counterstain with Modified Harris Hematoxylin for 20 seconds.				
16. Rinse in tap water until water is clear.				

- 17. Gently agitate slides in 1X Automation Buffer until they turn blue.
- 18. Dehydrate through the following solutions.

95% Ethanol	1 change	3 minutes
100% Ethanol	3 changes	3 minutes
Xylene	2 changes	5 minutes

# 19. Coverslip

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