# Positope™

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#### Introduction

Positope<sup> $^{\text{M}}$ </sup> is a recombinant protein specifically engineered to contain seven different tags for detection with seven different antibodies. Positope<sup> $^{\text{M}}$ </sup> protein is intended for use as a positive control for antibody function in western blot experiments.

## **Shipping and Storage**

The Positope<sup> $^{\text{TM}}$ </sup> protein is shipped at room temperature. Upon receipt, please store at +4°C. The protein is stable for 6 months at +4°C.

### **Intended Use**

For research use only. Not intended for human or animal diagnostic or therapeutic uses.

### **Contents**

The Positope<sup> $^{\text{TM}}$ </sup> recombinant protein is supplied in a total volume of 200  $\mu$ L at a concentration of 25 ng/ $\mu$ L in reducing SDS-PAGE sample buffer (63 mM Tris-HCl, 10% glycerol, 2% SDS, 0.0025% Bromophenol Blue, 50 mM  $\beta$ -mercaptoethanol).

## Description

Positope<sup> $^{\text{T}}$ </sup> is a 53 kDa recombinant protein created using the gene for green fluorescent protein (GFP) and engineered to contain six additional epitopes as shown in the figure. It is expressed from pBAD/Thio-TOPO<sup>®</sup> in TOP10 cells using arabinose as an inducer. The table describes the actual epitope if known. Amino acid sequence is available by contacting Technical Support (page 3).

**Note**: HRP conjugates of Invitrogen antibodies, i.e. Anti-myc-HRP, Anti-V5-HRP, Anti-Xpress<sup>TM</sup>-HRP, Anti-HisG-HRP, and Anti-His(C-term)-HRP, also detect Positope<sup>TM</sup>.



Tag	Epitope	Reference
Thioredoxin	Unknown	(Dickason <i>et al.</i> , 1995)
HisG	-НННННG-	(Robson et al., 1995)
Xpress <sup>™</sup>	-DLYDDDDK-	(Kroll et al., 1993)
GFP	Many	Invitrogen
с-тус	-EQKLISEEDL-	(Evan <i>et al.</i> , 1985)
V5	-GKPIPNPLLGLDST-	(Southern et al., 1991)
His(C-term)	-НННННН-СООН	(Lindner <i>et al.</i> , 1997)

# Using Positope™

#### Caution

Please note that the Positope<sup> $^{\text{IM}}$ </sup> control protein is provided in reducing SDS-PAGE sample buffer and is not suitable for use in immunoassays (i.e. ELISA).

### **Western Analysis**

In experiments performed at Invitrogen, we tested various amounts of Positope $^{\text{\tiny M}}$  to obtain a strong signal in a western blot. Results are shown in the table below. Conditions were:

- Primary antibody: 2 µL primary antibody in 20 mL buffer (1:10,000)
- HRP conjugated secondary antibody (goat anti-mouse-HRP or goat anti-rabbit-HRP) 1:10,000 dilution
- Detection: Chemiluminescence reagents (ECL; Amersham)
- Exposure: 1 minute

Primary Antibody	Amount of Positope <sup>™</sup>
Anti-Thio	100 ng
Anti-HisG	100 ng
Anti-Xpress <sup>™</sup>	250 ng
Anti-GFP	100 ng
(polyclonal)	
Anti- <i>Myc</i>	250 ng
Anti-V5	100 ng
Anti-His(C-term)	250 ng

#### **Recommended Use**

For Western blot analysis, we recommend using 250 ng (10  $\mu$ L) of Positope<sup>TM</sup> per lane. Lower amounts of Positope<sup>TM</sup> may be used, but the strength of the signal may be affected.

 $Positope^{^{\intercal}}\ recombinant\ protein\ is\ supplied\ in\ reducing\ SDS-PAGE\ sample\ buffer.\ We\ recommend\ that\ you\ perform\ the\ following\ steps\ before\ use:$ 

- 1. Transfer the appropriate amount of Positope<sup>TM</sup> that you will load onto the gel (e.g.  $10~\mu$ L) to a separate microcentrifuge tube.
- 2. Treat the Positope<sup>™</sup> in the same manner as your other samples prior to loading your gel. We generally boil the sample for five minutes.

**Note**: Increasing the amount of Positope<sup>™</sup> loaded, using too much antibody, or increasing the detection/exposure time may lead to the detection of proteolytic breakdown products of Positope<sup>™</sup>, especially if you are using the Anti-V5 Antibody.

For more information on your specific antibody or for procedures to perform western blot analysis, please refer to the particular manual for your antibody.

# **Technical Support**

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