



Supplementary figure shows test blots with anti eEF1A and anti Exp5 antibodies on whole cell lysates derived from BHK (baby hamster kidney), 3T3 and HeLa cells. The experiment not only demonstrates the monospecificity of the antibodies, but also that Exp5 is evenly expressed in all three cell types. Brownawell (2002) reported BHK cells to be Exp5-negative and based their conclusion on RT-PCR-detection of the transcript. We suspect they failed to detect the Exp5 transcripts in BHK cells, because their (human) RT-PCR-probes were unsuitable to amplify the hamster Exp5 sequence.